## My cultural adventures; people, perceptions and improbable events

Dear students. In preparation for my presentation, I would like to introduce some concepts and their definitions, which will help you understand the presentation and provide you with the proper background for exchanging experiences after the presentation. You can read these definitions in less than ten minutes. However, if you have a curious mind and would like to go deeper into these meanings, you can also check the extra links I am facilitating here for your convenience.

Looking forward to our class!

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**Definitions** 

Culture

The beliefs, customs, arts, etc., of a particular society, group, place, or time <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/culture">https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/culture</a>

https://www.thoughtco.com/culture-definition-4135409

Intercultural

occurring between or involving two or more cultures <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/intercultural">https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/intercultural</a>

https://www.idrinstitute.org/resources/intercultural-communication/

Internationalization

"The intentional process of integrating an international, intercultural or global dimension into the purpose, functions and delivery of post-secondary education, in order to enhance the quality of education and research for all students and staff, and to make a meaningful contribution to society" (De Wit et al., Internationalization of Higher Education, 2015).

Bias

a tendency to believe that some people, ideas, etc., are better than others that usually results in treating some people unfairly; an inclination of temperament or outlook, especially: a personal and sometimes unreasoned judgment: PREJUDICE https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/bias

https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/basics/bias

Perception

the way you think about or understand someone or something; a result of perceiving: OBSERVATION; a mental image: CONCEPT <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/perception">https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/perception</a>

https://www.verywellmind.com/perception-and-the-perceptual-process-2795839

https://pressbooks.online.ucf.edu/lumenpsychology/chapter/reading-what-is-perception/

Aggression

A forceful action or procedure (such as an unprovoked attack) especially when intended to dominate or master; the practice of making attacks or encroachments; hostile, injurious, or destructive

behavior or outlook especially when caused by frustration <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/aggression">https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/aggression</a>

https://www.verywellmind.com/what-is-aggression-2794818

https://open.lib.umn.edu/socialpsychology/chapter/10-1-defining-aggression/

Microaggresion

A comment or action that subtly and often unconsciously or unintentionally expresses a prejudiced attitude toward a member of a marginalized group (such as a racial minority) <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/microaggression">https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/microaggression</a>

https://texascasa.org/2019/02/19/cultural-considerations-what-are-microaggressions/

https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/basics/microaggression