

Critical Thinking

Course Title	Critical Thinking		
Course Code	GEN120B	Course Type	General Education Required Course
Credit	3	Contact Hours	45
Prerequisites	None	Co-Requisites	None
Duration	15 weeks	Class Type	Lecture

SolBridge GACCS Objectives	%	Learning Objectives
1. Global Perspective	10	1. The ability to solve difficult tasks and questions.
2. Asian Expertise	0	2. The ability to listen to critical feedback to revise and improve an idea.
3. Creative Management Mind	70	3. The ability to adapt quickly to shifting priorities and roles or positions to get things done.
4. Cross Cultural Communication	10	4. The ability to balance individuality with teamwork to face challenging and stressful situations.
5. Social Responsibility	10	

Course Description

This course is designed to enhance students' soft skills such as critical and analytical thinking, written communication, oral presentation, debate, conflict resolution, and team work problem-solving. Students will learn key academic theories for argumentation and debate and learn how to apply them to real life issues and cases. Students will actively engage in discussions and formal debates on key issues that affect businesses and the global community. In doing so, it will help further students' growth and understanding in the five areas of SolBridge academic focus (Global Perspective, Asian Expertise, Creative Management, Cross-cultural Communication, and Social Responsibility).

Learning and Teaching Structure

The unit will be taught through readings, discussions, and debate in class. The textbook will be supplemented by other readings and appropriate current material

Assessment	%	Text and Materials
Attendance	20	1. Critical Thinking for Reasoned Decision Making: Argumentation and Debate 12th Edition (Author(s): Austin J. Freeley, David L. Steinberg; Publisher: Cengage Learning) ISBN-10: 0495095907, ISBN-13: 978-0495095903
Assignment	20	
Class Contribution	10	2. Debating in the World School's Style: A Guide (Author(s): Simon Quinn, Publisher: International Debate Education Association, 2009) ISBN-10: 1932716556, ISBN-13: 978-1932716559
Midterm Examination	20	
Final Examination	30	

Course content by Week

1	Course outline, introduction to course methodology.
2-5	Critical Thinking, Group Decision Making, Argumentation, Refutation
6-10	Definition, Policy Making, Debating
11-15	Case Construction and Analysis, Manner, Advanced Strategies