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Dipartimento
di Lingue, Letterature
e Culture Straniere

IN CONVERSATION WITH GLOBALIZATION

Blended educational program | 8th edition (2026/27)

LM:

- Lingue moderne per la comunicazione e la cooperazione internazionale
- Planning and Management of Tourism Systems

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In conversation with globalization - online course and project week – for 5 students (LMCCI e PMTS)

Cross-cultural academic
experience in collaboration with:

- ❑ Universität Stuttgart
- ❑ St. Xavier's College/Mumbai
- ❑ Stellenbosch University



In conversation with globalization – online course and project week

- online course in English, attended by students from the 4 universities, topics from: politics, economics (octobre-dicembre 2026).
- Project week at Stellenbosch University (2nd week of January 2027)
- Conclusion online course with topic: arts/culture (January-February 2027)

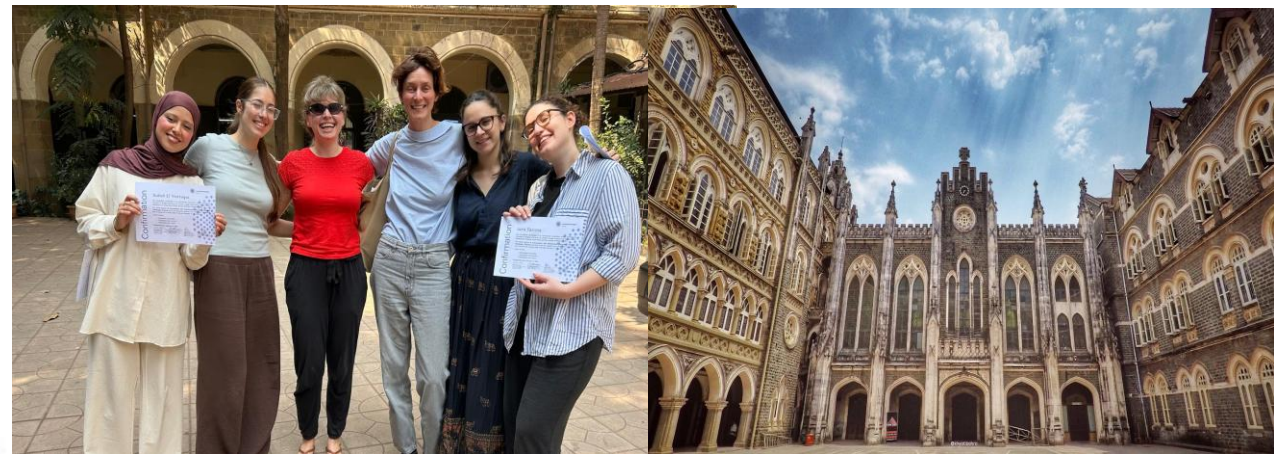
For the achievement of 9 CFU

(free choice/supernumerary exam of English language or laboratory)

it is necessary to attend both activities



Stellenbosch University

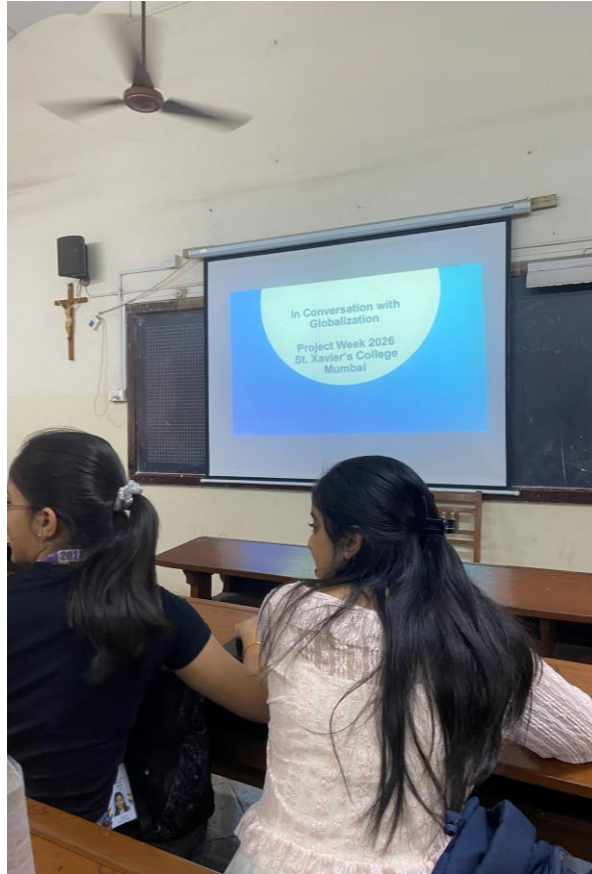


St. Xavier's College (Mumbai)

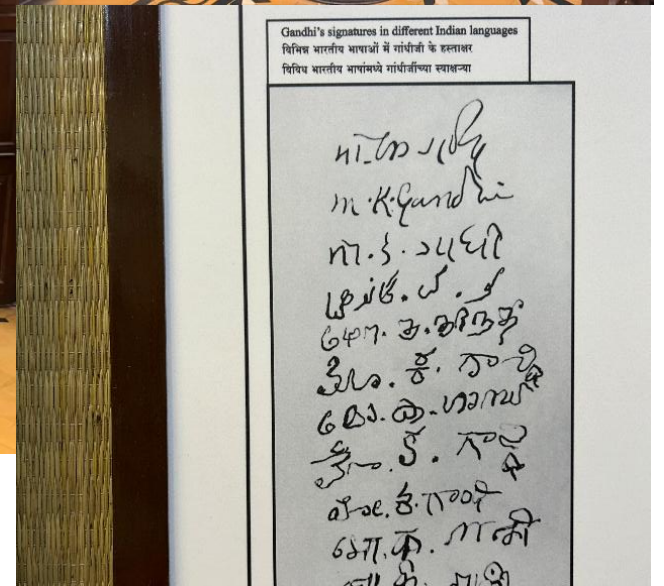
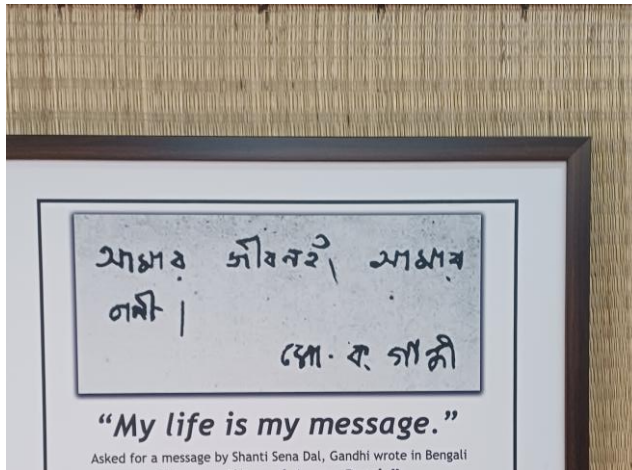


In conversation with globalization – online course and project week

Seminars | Conferences |
Cultural activities



Project week activities in Mumbai include: Visit of *Mahatma Ghandi Memorial Museum*



Project week
activities in
Mumbai
include:
Guided tour to
the portuguese
heritage village
Kothachiwadi



Project week
activities in
Mumbai include:
Visit of World
heritage site
Elephanta Island

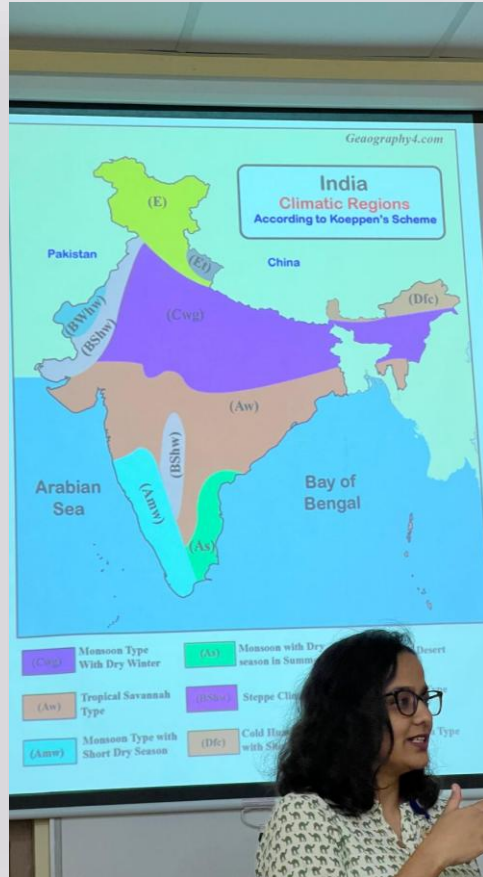
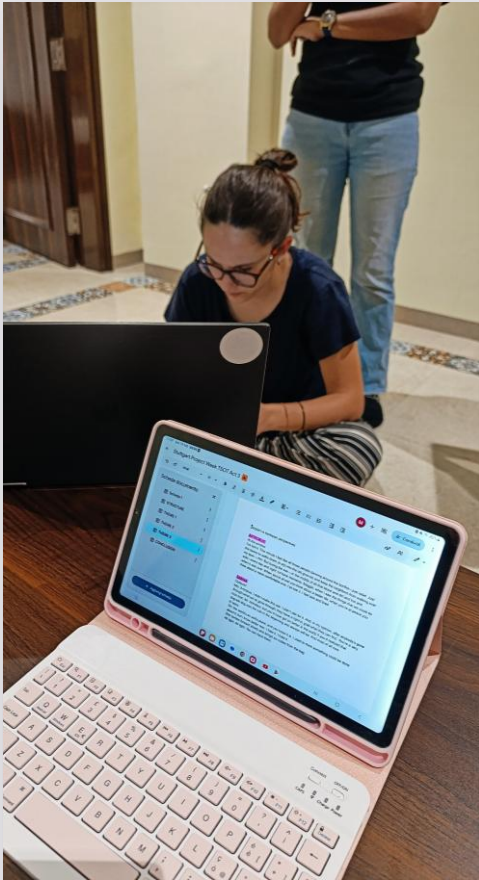


Planned cultural
activities planned for
the project week in
Stellenbosch:
*Cape Point, Table
Mountain and Robben
Island* (among others)



Experiences of students (2025-26)

Spending time at St. Xavier's College in Mumbai allowed us to **experience a different academic environment and to engage directly with local students and professors.** This exchange made discussions about globalization much more concrete and meaningful, as we were able to connect theoretical concepts with real-life perspectives.



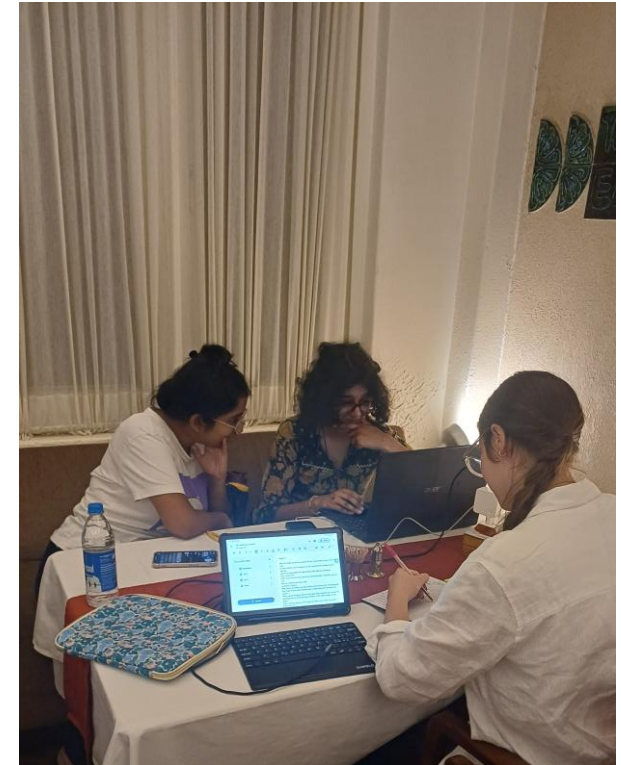


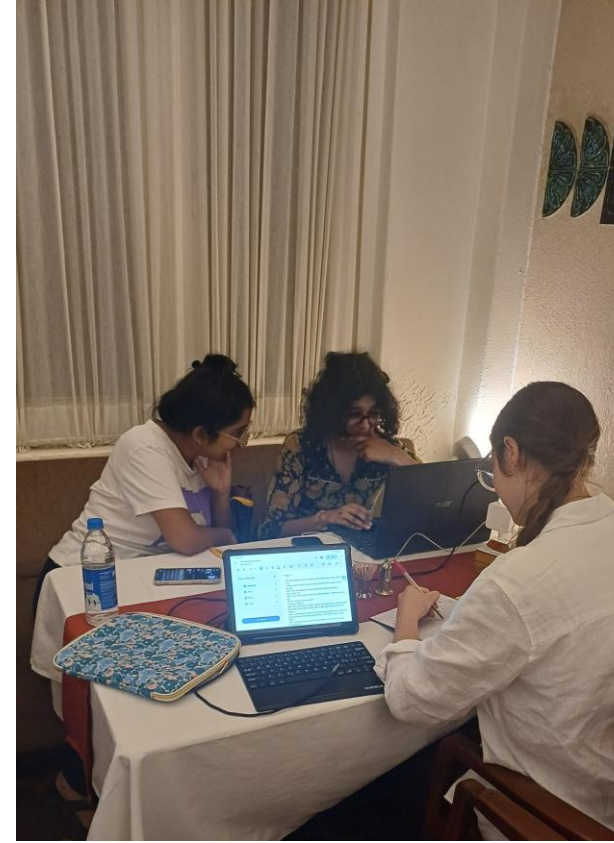
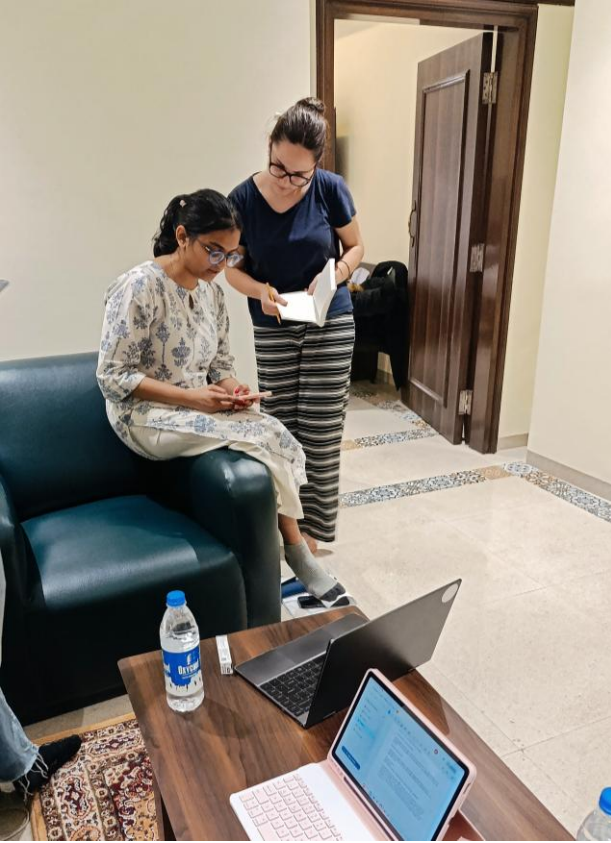
Experiences of students (2025-26)

Thanks to the university, I had the opportunity to live as an Indian student, discover local life, and completely immerse myself in a geographically distant culture. Above all, I realised what it means to live in a globalised world. I couldn't imagine the value of this experience until I finished the path: **It was definitely the experience that most marked my university years.**

Experiences of students (2025-26)

What's even more incredible is how this access to different educational and cultural environments fosters not only personal growth but also professional opportunities that would be much more difficult to access elsewhere. **Seeing the world with your own eyes and being able to touch it, live it and experience it is the best way to learn.**





Group work and presentation

It was all about

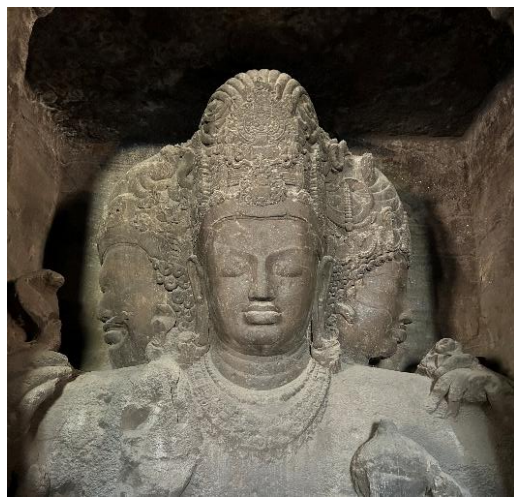
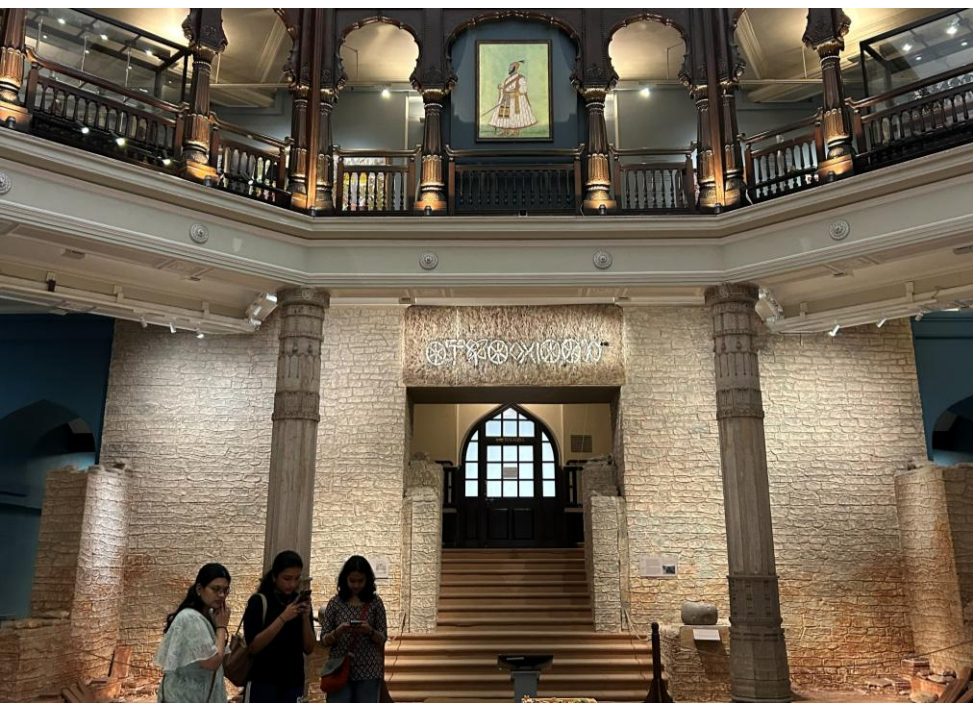
- stretching your mindset
- **stepping out of your comfort zone**
- broadening your knowledge about the world
- **and working closely with amazing people from different backgrounds.**

The most precious gift of this project was the human exchange.

Bringing together students from Italy, Germany, South Africa, and India created a unique melting pot of ideas.

Exchanging perspectives on politics, culture and society literally opened my eyes, showing me that while our backgrounds are different, we often face similar global challenges. Beyond the academic workshops, I have found lifelong friends. We shared laughter, challenges, and moments of reflection that created a "global family" and a sense of belonging that I will carry in my heart forever.





In conversation with globalization - Next edition

Interested students should prepare:

- **curriculum vitae** (European format), indicating the exams taken during the first year of the course of study;
- **letter of motivation** for participation in the program.

Selection (interview) in September:
proficiency in English (C1)



In conversation with globalization

Open badge

The Badge “In Conversation with Globalization” - Interdisciplinary, International and Multicultural Educational Program is awarded following the positive evaluation, shared by the contact persons of the various partner sites, of the activities carried out during the program (online course and project week).

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