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Screening Asia

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Dept of International Studies

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General Information

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Credit points

3

Prerequisites

12cp

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit is a study of contemporary Asia through cinema. Students develop an understanding of cultural diversity, commonality and exchanges amongst Asian countries. The unit examines, through the study of various films, how social shifts (local, Asia-wide or global) affect the everyday life of the individual. The unit also examines how cinema can challenge and influence the viewer's perception of such issues as identity, race and nationality, and thereby have an impact upon wider changes in society. The unit also compares the reception of films in the countries of origin and countries to which they are exported. The unit is conducted in English.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

Develop understanding of a wide range of films from Asian countries, and how specific themes and preoccupations become varied and diversified.

Develop general understanding of Asian societies as depicted in the films.

Generate informed and original analysis of Asian film in its local and global contexts and

express this in a clear and focused manner in oral and written form.

Demonstrate initiative and competence in research, including locating relevant materials and writing in an efficient and timely manner with correct referencing.

Build interpersonal communication skills through in-class discussions.

General Assessment Information

University regulations stipulate that a student must attempt all required assessment tasks in order to be eligible to pass a unit of study. In ASN201 this means that all four tasks should be fulfilled in order to complete requirements of the unit and be eligible for a passing grade.

ASN201 also has unit-specific assessment policies. Please refer to the Study Guide on the iLearn site for details. Rubrics for all assessment tasks will be available on the iLearn site.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Due
<u>Unit Participation</u>	15%	Ongoing
<u>Tutorial Presentation</u>	20%	Once between Weeks 3 and 10
<u>Film Review Critique</u>	25%	18 Sept
<u>Essay</u>	40%	13 Nov

Unit Participation

Due: **Ongoing**

Weighting: **15%**

Unit participation will be assessed in terms of the quality of participation in class. Class attendance is compulsory and a component of this assessment; arriving late or leaving early may not be counted as full attendance.

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Tutorial Presentation

Due: **Once between Weeks 3 and 10**

Weighting: **20%**

A topic is presented in the relevant tutorial. It will be supported by a PPT Presentation and will be the basis for leading class discussion of the topic. Working in groups of two (Sign-up to groups will be available on the iLearn site), choose one week's topic, read the essential reading and other relevant materials and create 10-12 PPT slides with notes. The presentation should include a summary of the important points of the week's topic and questions designed to generate active discussion.

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Film Review Critique

Due: **18 Sept**

Weighting: **25%**

From the sets of reviews included on the iLearn site, choose a set for one. Watch the film carefully, and write a 1500-word analysis of the film in the form of a critical assessment of the set of reviews chosen (e.g. Are the film's themes adequately discussed? Is the film placed in context? Are its genre, conventions and techniques appropriately discussed?).

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Essay

Due: **13 Nov**

Weighting: **40%**

Answer one of the four set questions. In your essay, compare two films from different countries.

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Delivery and Resources

Delivery

Lecture and Tutorial

Film for each week will be screened immediately prior to the lecture.

Required and recommended texts and/or materials

Via Library Unit Readings and Special Reserve

Unit webpage and technology used and required

Online units can be accessed at: <http://ilearn.mq.edu.au>

Unit Schedule

The Weekly Schedule of Classes can be found in the Study Guide on the iLearn site.

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central](#). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

Academic Honesty Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic_honesty/policy.html

Assessment Policy <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html>

Grading Policy <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grading/policy.html>

Grade Appeal Policy <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/gradeappeal/policy.html>

Grievance Management Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance_management/policy.html

Disruption to Studies Policy http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption_studies/policy.html *The Disruption to Studies Policy is effective from March 3 2014 and replaces the Special Consideration Policy.*

In addition, a number of other policies can be found in the [Learning and Teaching Category](#) of Policy Central.

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student_conduct/

Late assignment policy:

Assignments are compulsory and must be submitted on time. As a general rule, extensions will not be granted without a valid and documented reason (e.g. medical certificate). Late submissions will be penalised by 5% for each day (including weekends) the assignment task is late. No assignments will be accepted after assignments have been corrected and feedback has been provided. Assignment tasks handed in early will not be marked and returned before the due date.

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module for Students](#)
- [Ask a Learning Adviser](#)

Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the [Disability Service](#) who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel>

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When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

Graduate Capabilities

Capable of Professional and Personal Judgement and Initiative

We want our graduates to have emotional intelligence and sound interpersonal skills and to demonstrate discernment and common sense in their professional and personal judgement. They will exercise initiative as needed. They will be capable of risk assessment, and be able to handle ambiguity and complexity, enabling them to be adaptable in diverse and changing environments.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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- Essay

Commitment to Continuous Learning

Our graduates will have enquiring minds and a literate curiosity which will lead them to pursue knowledge for its own sake. They will continue to pursue learning in their careers and as they participate in the world. They will be capable of reflecting on their experiences and relationships with others and the environment, learning from them, and growing - personally, professionally and socially.

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Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills

Our graduates will take with them the intellectual development, depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content in their chosen fields to make them competent and confident in their subject or profession. They will be able to demonstrate, where relevant, professional technical competence and meet professional standards. They will be able to articulate the structure of knowledge of their discipline, be able to adapt discipline-specific knowledge to novel situations, and be able to contribute from their discipline to inter-disciplinary solutions to problems.

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Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

We want our graduates to be capable of reasoning, questioning and analysing, and to integrate and synthesise learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments; to be able to critique constraints, assumptions and limitations; to be able to think independently and systemically in relation to scholarly activity, in the workplace, and in the world. We want them to have a level of scientific and information technology literacy.

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Problem Solving and Research Capability

Our graduates should be capable of researching; of analysing, and interpreting and assessing data and information in various forms; of drawing connections across fields of knowledge; and they should be able to relate their knowledge to complex situations at work or in the world, in order to diagnose and solve problems. We want them to have the confidence to take the initiative in doing so, within an awareness of their own limitations.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

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Creative and Innovative

Our graduates will also be capable of creative thinking and of creating knowledge. They will be imaginative and open to experience and capable of innovation at work and in the community. We want them to be engaged in applying their critical, creative thinking.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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Effective Communication

We want to develop in our students the ability to communicate and convey their views in forms effective with different audiences. We want our graduates to take with them the capability to read, listen, question, gather and evaluate information resources in a variety of formats, assess, write clearly, speak effectively, and to use visual communication and communication technologies as appropriate.

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Engaged and Ethical Local and Global citizens

As local citizens our graduates will be aware of indigenous perspectives and of the nation's historical context. They will be engaged with the challenges of contemporary society and with knowledge and ideas. We want our graduates to have respect for diversity, to be open-minded,

sensitive to others and inclusive, and to be open to other cultures and perspectives: they should have a level of cultural literacy. Our graduates should be aware of disadvantage and social justice, and be willing to participate to help create a wiser and better society.

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Socially and Environmentally Active and Responsible

We want our graduates to be aware of and have respect for self and others; to be able to work with others as a leader and a team player; to have a sense of connectedness with others and country; and to have a sense of mutual obligation. Our graduates should be informed and active participants in moving society towards sustainability.

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