



# INTS310

## Europe: Unity and Diversity

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*Dept of International Studies*

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## General Information

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W6A 215

Wednesday 9-10

Credit points

3

Prerequisites

39cp

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit uses the themes of love, religion and the pursuit of knowledge to explore the development of Europe to the present day. Key examples from literature, theatre, film, music and the fine arts illustrate how these concepts have shaped European cultures and contributed to cross-cultural interaction. Assessment is by coursework.

## 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:

To appreciate the depth and diversity of European cultures and identify the myriad contributions and continued relevance of European cultures to the world today.

To develop independent and analytical judgment.

To attain advanced communication skills, written and oral.

To develop self-organizational and time management skills.

To work with and collaborate with others effectively.

To develop research skills including library and information retrieval skills.

To assess and prioritize information.

To develop a critical consciousness, informed by an understanding of ethical issues, and a self-reflexive awareness of the reasoned views of others.

## Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Due
<a href="#"><u>Seminar presentation</u></a>	30%	week 10
<a href="#"><u>Research Essay</u></a>	40%	5pm Thursday of week 13
<a href="#"><u>Participation</u></a>	30%	Ongoing

### Seminar presentation

Due: **week 10**

Weighting: **30%**

Internal Students will present in class. Please provide a bibliography and Powerpoint or audio/visual aids that can be uploaded to iLearn on the day of your presentation or before. External Students will send me a video file of your presentation, a bibliography as well as any Powerpoint or audio/visual aids by Friday of week 9 as I will upload these onto iLearn. Internal students will be required to view your seminar prior to class on Friday of week 10 so we can discuss them in class. All students will be required to interact with external student seminars via the discussion board and externals will have the opportunity to answer other students' questions in the same forum.

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### Research Essay

Due: **5pm Thursday of week 13**

Weighting: **40%**

One research essay in English (3,000 words). Must include references, bibliography (not included

in word count) and be written in an academic style.

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## Participation

Due: **Ongoing**

Weighting: **30%**

As class discussions are a critical part of this unit, 30% is awarded for participation. This means that you will need to prepare any readings or watch any films assigned to each lecture before class and be prepared to contribute to in-class and online discussions. External students will be required to contribute 150-word approx (unless otherwise specified) answers to at least 10 discussion topics online. Internal students will be awarded up to 15 marks for in-class participation and 15 marks for online participation. Internal students will be required to contribute 150-word approx (unless otherwise specified) answers to at least 5 discussion topics online. Of course, all students may contribute to more topics, in which case the 10 best (external) or 5 best (internal) contributions will be counted. Take careful note of the due date for each discussion topic (displayed on iLearn) as the forum will close after this date and you will not be able to enter. Generally, the discussion topics close on the Thursday prior to each class at 5pm so you have approximately a week from the relevant class to make your contribution to the discussion topic.

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## Delivery and Resources

There are no texts to buy for this unit but students are required to read all the texts assigned by the lecturer prior to each class. Most of these will be available on iLearn. It is the student's responsibility to check iLearn regularly for texts for forthcoming lectures.

**iLearn** is an essential tool for INTS310. It is used to communicate with students, post resources and useful links. All students must log on to iLearn at the beginning of semester and check for updates regularly. To log on, go to: [www.ilearn.mq.edu.au](http://www.ilearn.mq.edu.au) and use your Student ID number and your MyMQ Portal password.

Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient.

- For technical support go to: [http://mq.edu.au/about\\_us/offices\\_and\\_units/informatics/help](http://mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/informatics/help)
- For student quick guides on the use of iLearn go to: [http://mq.edu.au/iLearn/student\\_info/guides.htm](http://mq.edu.au/iLearn/student_info/guides.htm)

## Unit Schedule

### 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](http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic_honesty/policy.html)

**New Assessment Policy in effect from Session 2 2016** [http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy\\_2016.html](http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy_2016.html). For more information visit [http://students.mq.edu.au/events/2016/07/19/new\\_assessment\\_policy\\_in\\_place\\_from\\_session\\_2/](http://students.mq.edu.au/events/2016/07/19/new_assessment_policy_in_place_from_session_2/)

Assessment Policy prior to Session 2 2016 <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html>

Grading Policy prior to Session 2 2016 <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grading/policy.html>

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

Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public [http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/complaint\\_management/procedure.html](http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/complaint_management/procedure.html)

Disruption to Studies Policy [http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\\_studies/policy.html](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/](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student_conduct/)

### Results

Results shown in *iLearn*, or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit [ask.m](#)

[mq.edu.au](http://mq.edu.au).

## PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENT POLICY ON LATE WORK

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](http://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](http://ask.mq.edu.au)

## IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit [http://www.mq.edu.au/about\\_us/offices\\_and\\_units/information\\_technology/help/](http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/).

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

## Graduate Capabilities

### 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:

## **Assessment task**

- Seminar presentation

## **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:

## **Learning outcomes**

- To develop independent and analytical judgment.
- To develop self-organizational and time management skills.
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## **Assessment tasks**

- Seminar presentation
- Research Essay
- Participation

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

- To appreciate the depth and diversity of European cultures and identify the myriad contributions and continued relevance of European cultures to the world today.
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## **Assessment tasks**

- Seminar presentation
- Research Essay
- Participation

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

- To appreciate the depth and diversity of European cultures and identify the myriad contributions and continued relevance of European cultures to the world today.
- To attain advanced communication skills, written and oral.
- To develop research skills including library and information retrieval skills.

## **Assessment tasks**

- Seminar presentation
- Research Essay
- Participation

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

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- To develop independent and analytical judgment.



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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**

- To develop research skills including library and information retrieval skills.
- To assess and prioritize information.

## **Assessment tasks**

- Seminar presentation
- Research Essay

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

- To attain advanced communication skills, written and oral.
- To work with and collaborate with others effectively.
- To develop a critical consciousness, informed by an understanding of ethical issues, and

a self-reflexive awareness of the reasoned views of others.

## **Assessment tasks**

- Seminar presentation
- Research Essay
- Participation

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

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## **Assessment tasks**

- Seminar presentation
- Research Essay
- Participation

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

- To develop self-organizational and time management skills.
- To work with and collaborate with others effectively.
- To develop a critical consciousness, informed by an understanding of ethical issues, and a self-reflexive awareness of the reasoned views of others.

## Assessment task

- Participation

## Changes since First Published

Date	Description
22/02/2016	Changes to dates and times of assessments.