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Advanced Croatian I
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Dept of International Studies

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General Information

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Credit points
3

Prerequisites
6cp at 200 level including CRO255

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
The most significant aim of this unit is to improve students' skills in both written and spoken Croatian. Special emphasis is placed on writing and comprehension and communicative skills.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at http://students.mq.edu.au/student_admin/enrolmentguide/academicdates/

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Due: 24/03/16
Weighting: 10%

This quiz will be given on 24th March 2016.

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Due: 31/03/16
Weighting: 10%

This assignment is due 31st March 2016.

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Quiz 2
Due: 14/04/16
Weighting: 10%

This quiz will be given on 14th April 2016.

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Due: 25/04/16
Weighting: 10%

This assignment is due 25th April 2016.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:

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Quiz 3
Due: **05/05/16**
Weighting: **10%**

This quiz will be given on 5th May 2016.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:

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Assignment 3
Due: 20/05/16
Weighting: 10%

This assignment is due 20th May 2016.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:

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Quiz 4  
Due: 26/05/16  
Weighting: 10%  

This quiz will be given on 26th May 2016.

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Assignment 4  
Due: 30/05/16  
Weighting: 10%  

This assignment is due 30th May 2016.

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Oral Examination

Due: First week of June 2016
Weighting: 20%

Oral examination will be held last week of classes in June 2016.

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**Delivery and Resources**

**Unit requirements and expectations**

**a) Assessment**

Assessment will be based on 4 assignments (40%), four quizzes (40%) and oral examination (20%). There will be no final written examination.

**b) On-campus Session**

The on-campus session will be held at Macquarie University on **Saturday 7th May** from 9:30 - 4:00 pm (Building W6A, Room 104). You are urged to attend if at all possible. The on-campus session will provide a tutorial on grammar, conversation and reading exercises.

The on-campus session is not compulsory but it is strongly recommended.

**c) Expected Weekly Workload**

(i) Reading aloud and practicing with the recorded material\[2 hours\]

(ii) Doing the exercises in the text book and workbook\[2 hours\]

(iii) Answering questions and writing-up the assignments\[2 hours\]

**Online Unit**

Login is via: [https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/](https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/)


**Technology**

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**

CRO 350 is offered in the composite mode, i.e. externally and on-campus. On campus classes will be held Thursday evenings 6 - 8 pm in W6A 104
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


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/

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.mq.edu.au.

Late Assignment Policy - International Studies

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.
Graduate Capabilities

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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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.

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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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**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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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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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**

- Reading skills: Students will work towards understanding a wide range of written texts, including longer, more complex factual texts, commentaries and reports; clearly identifying and extracting information from a wide range of sources, including statistical information. Students will have developed strategies to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words from the context; to understand frequently used set expressions.
- Writing skills: Students will be able to write a clear, well-structured text, interpreting or expressing points of view at some length; write about increasingly complex subjects; write in a style appropriate to the reader in mind; express and justify opinions and give arguments supporting their point of view; explain and compare ideas presented to them in a text which presents familiar content to them; use appropriate devices to ensure the smooth flow of a piece of writing most of the time; produce a text with few grammatical mistakes that would substantially interfere with the reader’s understanding. Students will be working towards expressing themselves clearly and logically in essays on complex issues, choosing the right kind of expression to appeal to the reader.

**Required and recommended readings**

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Recommended:

Unit webpage