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Prerequisites

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit provides an introduction to the fields of intelligence and counterintelligence. It focuses on the strategic, tactical and operational levels of national security, as well as the role of law enforcement and intelligence organisations in protecting the state from domestic and foreign threats. Students will gain a deep understanding of the history of intelligence, the key intelligence agencies in Australia, the intelligence cycle and its application, and the interplay between policing and intelligence. Students will engage with key case studies from around the world to further understand these issues and dynamics. The unit complements PICX211, which focuses on government strategies for ensuring national security. All enrolment queries should be directed to Open Universities Australia (OUA): see www.open.edu.au

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.open.edu.au/student-admin-and-support/key-dates/>

Learning Outcomes

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

Identify key agencies and functions in Australia's national security community.

Analyze and explain the various public sector law enforcement and intelligence roles which contribute to both domestic and international security.

Critically assess the integration of surveillance, intelligence and law enforcement in protecting the state from threats and vulnerabilities and demonstrate knowledge of intelligence analytical, collection and production processes.

Identify and debate challenges to relationship building between sectors relevant to national security at all levels of operations.

Assess both domestic and international security issues impacting Australia in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region and consider their impact on Australia's intelligence agencies, from a governmental, private sector and societal perspective.

Make judgments on the strategic and operational needs of intelligence and law enforcement agencies in relation to legal, ethical and policy constraints.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
<u>Analytical Brief & Issue Paper</u>	20%	No	Monday, Week 5
<u>Midterm Exam</u>	20%	No	End of Week 7
<u>Short Essays</u>	30%	No	Monday, Week 11
<u>Constructive Engagement</u>	10%	No	Weekly, Weeks 2-13
<u>Final Exam</u>	20%	No	End of Week 13

Analytical Brief & Issue Paper

Due: **Monday, Week 5**

Weighting: **20%**

Task requires students to build a Microsoft *Powerpoint* briefing presentation on an assigned analytical topic, employing intelligence research and analysis to evaluate and assess capabilities, vulnerabilities, risks and threats, as well as opportunities and projected future developments or projections (predictive analysis). Students will gain experience in brief preparation, intelligence research and analytical assessment.

Guidelines on the preparation of this briefing presentation, including assigned analytical topics and a detailed marking matrix, will be posted on the PICT210 iLearn site. This briefing should present a balanced analysis of the assigned topic, using images, maps, charts, and/or embedded graphs with short “bulletised” or “dot point” textual boxes to layout the key intelligence issues involved. At least one slide in the presentation must contain and embedded ‘statistical’ Microsoft *Excel* spreadsheet, the intent being to introduce students to the very important *Excel*

function. Also, at least one map must be embedded in the presentation and a map, chart, image/picture or spreadsheet must appear on at least 5 presentation slides, complementing textual “dot point” analytical input.

This briefing will be a minimum of 5, no more than 7 slides in Microsoft *Powerpoint*, using ‘notes pages’ function to provide speakers notes and references used for each slide. For ease of submission and marking, each *Powerpoint* ‘notespage’ input will be copied/pasted into a second slide behind the presentation slide. Neither these second slides, nor a Title Page slide and/or a Reference List slide will count against the 5-7 slide limit.

The topic for the briefing will be provided in Week 1 of the course and the submission date will be by 2359/11.59 PM on Monday night of Week 5. As a guide to the extent of research required to support analysis and assertions, use a minimum of 5 independent research sources, fully cited (using Oxford / Harvard Referencing Style) and sourced from peer-reviewed academic journals, ‘think tank’ articles (i.e. Lowy, ASPI, RAND, CSIS, etc.) or other highly reputable sources (not newspaper articles), that have been published since 2005. Use 12-point font in ‘notes pages’ and the appropriate font on each graphical slide to facilitate reading off a screen in a small theatre at the back of the room. Submit through Turnitin -- individual feedback will be provided in Grademark. Powerpoint presentation comprises 10% of total 20% assessment task mark.

After building the presentation, prepare a one-page issue/point paper summarising the *Powerpoint* presentation analysis and findings. The format for this one-page issue paper is provided on the PICT210 iLearn page and will be submitted to Turnitin in Microsoft *Word* or other compatible word processing program format. Margins must adhere to a no narrower than 1” (inch) limit and textual input at no less than 12 point, *Calibri* or *Times New Roman* font. Issue paper comprises 10% of total 20% assessment task mark.

On successful completion you will be able to:

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Midterm Exam

Due: **End of Week 7**

Weighting: **20%**

Online, non-invigilated, iLearn-based examination will cover lecture and required reading material for Weeks 2 through 7. All questions will be based on material delivered in both prerecorded ECHO360 lectures and in class seminar lectures (also recorded and posted to ECHO360), as well as material contained in PICT210 required readings for each weekly session.

Exam consists of 40 questions worth half a point each (or .5%) for a total of 20% of the final

mark. Questions will consist of iLearn 'Quiz'-formatted questions and students will have 40 minutes to complete the test.

Students will have a 72-hour period within which to complete this exam. It will open on Thursday of Week 7 at 11:59 PM and close on Sunday of Week 7 at 11:59 PM (dates are shown on PICT210 iLearn page).

On successful completion you will be able to:

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Short Essays

Due: **Monday, Week 11**

Weighting: **30%**

Short answer essays covering 4 independent questions drawn from course material will be produced and submitted to Turnitin. Questions are deliberately broad in order to give students flexibility in answering each one. Arguments must be supported with evidence and by critical analysis, not description and without unsubstantiated opinion. Essay questions will be posted to the PICT210 iLearn page by the end of Week 4.

There is a 500-word limit per question (+/-10%) for a total of 2,000 words for all 4 questions. Word Count includes textual input, source referencing in paper and footnotes but not bibliography or title page. Each response should be supported by at least 3 academic sources, including peer-reviewed journal articles, books from academic publishers, government reports, 'think tank' reports (i.e. ASPI, Lowy, RAND, CSIS, etc.). Unit readings may be used and extra sources such as high-quality newspaper articles can be used but do not count towards minimum source referencing requirements.

Essays are to be submitted to Turnitin in Microsoft *Word* or other compatible word processing formats by 2359/11.59 PM on Monday night of Week 11. Marker feedback will be provided on Turnitin through Grademark. This 4-question, Short Essay assessment task is worth 30% of the

final course grade. A marking rubric is posted to iLearn and is contained in Turnitin.

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Constructive Engagement

Due: **Weekly, Weeks 2-13**

Weighting: **10%**

Assessment task is designed to promote student engagement, not only with the lecture materials and required readings, but through other readings, monitoring world events and in the context of presented questions, constructively engaging in considered and critical discussion with other students, moderated by the lecturer or tutor.

Online and in-class discussion broadens student perspectives and value adds to course subject matter. Postings to the discussion forums should demonstrate constructive engagement with the topic and with other students, enabling students to develop a deeper understanding of the subject matter, as well as effective reasoning and communication skills. The intent of this exercise is to ensure students have the opportunity to learn how to critically assess, discuss and debate difficult issues in a constructive manner, while achieving deeper learning beyond the classroom and into their chosen professional careers.

Ten weeks of participation is required between weeks 2 and 13, either in-class for internal students or online for external students. Online students will be expected to contribute to 10 of 12 online discussion seminars, posting prior to Sunday night at 2359/11.59 PM at the end of each weekly module. Internal students are required not only to attend at least 10 of 12 in-class seminar sessions, but also to constructively contribute to and participate in class discussions – asking and answering questions, as well as debating points with other in-class students. This engagement task is pass/fail -- there will be no partial credit given.

Additional assessment task instructions are contained on the PICT210 iLearn page.

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Final Exam

Due: **End of Week 13**

Weighting: **20%**

Online, non-invigilated, iLearn-based examination will cover lecture and required reading material for Weeks 8 through 13. All questions will be based on material delivered in both prerecorded ECHO360 lectures and in class seminar lectures (also recorded and posted to ECHO360), as well as material contained in PICT210 required readings for each weekly session.

Exam consists of 40 questions worth half a point each (or .5%) for a total of 20% of the final mark. Questions will consist of iLearn 'Quiz'-formatted questions and students will have 40 minutes to complete the test.

Students will have a 72-hour period within which to complete this exam. It will open on Thursday of Week 13 at 11:59 PM and close on Sunday of Week 13 at 11:59 PM (dates are shown on PICT210 ilearn page).

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Delivery and Resources

DELIVERY AND RESOURCES

UNIT REQUIREMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS

- You should spend an average of 12 hours per week on this unit. This includes listening to lectures prior to seminar or tutorial, reading weekly required materials as detailed in iLearn, participating in iLearn discussion forums and preparing assessments.
- Internal students are expected to attend all seminar or tutorial sessions, and external students are expected to make significant contributions to on-line activities.
- In most cases students are required to attempt and submit all major assessment tasks in order to pass the unit.

REQUIRED READINGS

- The citations for all the required readings for this unit are available to enrolled students through the unit iLearn site, and at Macquarie University's library site. Electronic copies of required readings may be accessed through the library or will be made available by other means.

TECHNOLOGY USED AND REQUIRED

- Computer and internet access are essential for this unit. Basic computer skills and skills in word processing are also a requirement.
- This unit has an online presence. Login is via: <https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/>
- Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient.
- Information about IT used at Macquarie University is available at http://students.mq.edu.au/it_services/

SUBMITTING ASSESSMENT TASKS

- All text-based assessment tasks are to be submitted, marked and returned electronically. This will only happen through the unit iLearn site.
- Assessment tasks must be submitted as a MS word document by the due date.
- Most assessment tasks will be subject to a 'Turnitin' review as an automatic part of the submission process.
- The granting of extensions is subject to the university's Special Consideration Policy. Extensions will not be granted by unit conveners or tutors, but must be lodged through Special Consideration: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/my-study-program/special-consideration>

LATE SUBMISSION OF ASSESSMENT TASKS

- Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) **a penalty for lateness will apply** – two (2) marks out of 100 will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) **no assignment will be accepted seven (7) days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline**. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests.

WORD LIMITS FOR ASSESSMENT TASKS

- Stated word limits include footnotes and footnoted references, but not bibliography, or title page.
- Word limits can generally deviate by 10% either over or under the stated figure.
- If the number of words exceeds the limit by more than 10%, then penalties will apply. These penalties are 5% of the awarded mark for every 100 words over the word limit. If a paper is 300 words over, for instance, it will lose $3 \times 5\% = 15\%$ of the total mark awarded for the assignment. This percentage is taken off the total mark, i.e. if a paper was graded at a credit (65%) and was 300 words over, it would be reduced by 15 marks to a pass (50%).
- The application of this penalty is at the discretion of the course convener.

REASSESSMENT OF ASSIGNMENTS DURING THE SEMESTER

- Macquarie University operates a Grade Appeal Policy in cases where students feel their work was graded inappropriately: <http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/gradeappeal/policy.html>

- In accordance with the Grade Appeal Policy, individual works are not subject to regrading.

STAFF AVAILABILITY

- Department staff will endeavour to answer student enquiries in a timely manner. However, emails or iLearn messages will not usually be answered over the weekend or public holiday period.
- Students are encouraged to read the Unit Guide and look at instructions posted on the iLearn site before sending email requests to staff.

Unit Schedule

Week 1. Introduction: Course Administration

Week 2. What is Intelligence & Why it matters / History of Intelligence: Part 1

Week 3. History of Intelligence: Part 2

Week 4: The Australian Intelligence Community

Week 5. The Intelligence Cycle, Analytical Processes

Week 6. Security Threats – Australia & the Indo-Asia-Pacific Arena: Part 1 - 'Up-and-Out'

Week 7. Security Threats – Australia & the Indo-Asia-Pacific Arena: Part 2 - 'Down-and-In'

Week 8. Case Study: The Role of Intelligence in Domestic Security -- The Boston Marathon Bombing

Week 9. Domestic Security: Policing, Detention & Regulatory Intelligence

Week 10. Foreign Security: Military, Counter-Insurgency (COIN) & Counter-Terrorism (CT), Force Protection (FP) & Physical Security Intelligence

Week 11. Analytical Pitfalls & Structured Analytical Techniques

Week 12. Maritime Security – Understanding the Maritime Domain

Week 13. Counterintelligence, Ethics, Oversight and the Intelligence Community

Policies and Procedures

Late Submission - applies unless otherwise stated elsewhere in the unit guide

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – two (2) marks out of 100 will be deducted per day for

assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) no assignment will be accepted more than seven (7) days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests.

Extension Request

Special Consideration Policy and Procedure **(<https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policies/special-consideration>)**

The University recognises that students may experience events or conditions that adversely affect their academic performance. If you experience serious and unavoidable difficulties at exam time or when assessment tasks are due, you can consider applying for Special Consideration.

You need to show that the circumstances:

1. were serious, unexpected and unavoidable
2. were beyond your control
3. caused substantial disruption to your academic work
4. substantially interfered with your otherwise satisfactory fulfilment of the unit requirements
5. lasted at least three consecutive days or a total of 5 days within the teaching period and prevented completion of an assessment task scheduled for a specific date.

If you feel that your studies have been impacted submit an application as follows:

1. Visit [Ask MQ](#) and use your OneID to log in
2. Fill in your relevant details
3. Attach supporting documents by clicking 'Add a reply', click 'Browse' and navigating to the files you want to attach, then click 'Submit Form' to send your notification and supporting documents
4. Please keep copies of your original documents, as they may be requested in the future as part of the assessment process

Outcome

Once your submission is assessed, an appropriate outcome will be organised.

OUA Specific Policies and Procedures

Withdrawal from a unit after the census date

You can withdraw from your subjects prior to [the census date](#) (last day to withdraw). If you successfully withdraw before the census date, you won't need to apply for Special Circumstances. If you find yourself unable to withdraw from your subjects before the census date - you might be able to [apply for Special Circumstances](#). If you're eligible, we can refund your fees and overturn your fail grade.

If you're studying Single Subjects using FEE-HELP or paying up front, you can [apply online](#).

If you're studying a degree using HECS-HELP, you'll need to [apply directly to Macquarie University](#).

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central) (<https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central>). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#) (**Note:** *The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.*)

Undergraduate students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway](http://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway) (<http://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway>). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit [Policy Central](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central) (<https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/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/study/getting-started/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](#).

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://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:

Learning outcomes

- Critically assess the integration of surveillance, intelligence and law enforcement in protecting the state from threats and vulnerabilities and demonstrate knowledge of intelligence analytical, collection and production processes.
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Assessment tasks

- Analytical Brief & Issue Paper
- Short Essays
- Constructive Engagement

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.

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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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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:

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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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- Assess both domestic and international security issues impacting Australia in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region and consider their impact on Australia's intelligence agencies, from a governmental, private sector and societal perspective.
- Make judgments on the strategic and operational needs of intelligence and law enforcement agencies in relation to legal, ethical and policy constraints.

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Socially and Environmentally Active and Responsible

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This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

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