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Session 1, Fully online/virtual 2020

Department of Indigenous Studies

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General Information

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Prerequisites

Admission to MIndigenousEd

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations have been sharing knowledge for over 65,000 years. This unit explores many of these older ways of teaching and learning and inter-generational knowledge transmission. This unit also examines how Western education practices and policies have impacted Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people since colonisation. Racism and the exclusion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from various public-school systems is investigated.

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:

ULO1: Understand the longevity of Indigenous practices of teaching and learning.

ULO2: Demonstrate a critical awareness of historical education policy and strategies targeted specifically towards Indigenous Australians.

ULO3: Examine how various forms of racism have impacted the education outcomes of Indigenous Australians.

ULO4: Develop a strong theoretical basis to understand the injustices Indigenous Australians face as a legacy of colonialism.

ULO5: Confidently use online communication forums and engage in informed interactive learning.

Assessment Tasks

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Assessment details are no longer provided here as a result of changes due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Students should consult [iLearn](#) for revised unit information.

[Find out more about the Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) and potential impacts on staff and students](#)

General Assessment Information

Tutorial Activities – 30%

Each week you will be expected to contribute to the online learning of the cohort. This contribution will help in building your own understanding of the content as well as bringing new and creative approaches to weekly topics from which all students will benefit. Marks will be aggregated each week (results to be available at the end of session) will be awarded on the following three criteria:

- 1) At least one contribution to the weekly forum (a response the weekly questions, an interesting and related link to a website, video, audio recording, or other relevant material, or posing a question of your own);
- 2) A response to another student's post. (i.e. answering a question; providing links to relevant material that makes a contribution to the post / discussion; or posing a question in response);
- 3) The quality of your contribution. Posts and comments should demonstrate a critical engagement with and understanding of the relevant readings and lecture materials.

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Assessment Task Quiz – 30%

The quiz is multiple choice. The content will be based on all the material delivered via iLearn during the first five weeks of semester. You will have one week (30th March – 5th April) in which to access and complete the quiz. The quiz will not be available outside of these dates.

Major Essay – 40%

You will complete a 2500-word essay which responds to a choice of questions. The aim of the major essay is to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding of the content of the history of Indigenous education in Australia. You will be required to produce an essay that demonstrates critical thinking and high-level written communication skills. Potential questions will be made available on iLearn.

Referencing

Referencing is an essential component of academic writing or presentation since it enables the reader to follow up the source of ideas and information presented in your work, and to examine the interpretation you place on the material discovered in your research. Reliable referencing clearly indicates where you have drawn your own conclusions from the evidence presented. Importantly, much of the material you will use is covered by copyright which means that you must acknowledge any source of information, including books, journals, newsprint, images and the internet. It is obligatory for students to reference all sources used in their written work including electronic material. Students should consult the University library website for a detailed explanation and examples of how to reference electronic material correctly

Accurate Harvard Referencing is required in your **major essay**. A guide to Harvard referencing is available at: <https://libguides.mq.edu.au/referencing/Harvard>

Referencing in online **tutorial discussions** is required however, given the conversational character of the forum, this may take the form of simply posting relevant (hyper-)links or providing the author's name and title of publication. No reference list is required.

Late Submission Penalty

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.

Academic Integrity

All assessment tasks must adhere to Macquarie University's policy on academic integrity.

Delivery and Resources

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19.

Please check here for updated delivery information: https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status

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Policies and Procedures

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.*)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway) (<https://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](http://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central) (<http://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central>).

Student Code of Conduct

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Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) 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 or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

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Learning Skills

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

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

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

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@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.

Protocols for Indigenous Studies

In Australia there are two distinct Indigenous peoples: Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islander people.

When writing about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders do not use the acronym 'ATSI', write in full. Capital letters should always be used when referring to Aboriginal peoples and or Torres Strait Islander peoples.

While Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander are acceptable terms to use, it should be recognised that these are collective terms and often used improperly to impose a single identity on the many different communities.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people generally prefer to be known by the language/cultural groups or communities, to which they belong, that is, own names rather than terms such as 'the Aboriginals' or 'the Islanders'. For example, Aboriginal people in the area surrounding Macquarie University may refer to themselves as Dharug. It is important that you always check the correct name or terms to use for people in the area/region.

The use of incorrect, inappropriate or dated terminology is to be avoided as it can give offence. Many historical terms or those in common usage some years ago are now not acceptable, including terms such as 'aborigine' 'native', 'savage' and 'primitive'. Similarly, do not use the terms 'half-caste', 'part-Aborigine/Aboriginal' or any reference to skin colour or physical features, as they do not signify that a person is Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and may cause offence. When quoting from academic or other sources that uses inappropriate, dated terminology or racist language, use (sic) directly after the inappropriate term or phrase, thus calling attention to the fact that it has been sourced from the original and that you understand it to be outdated, inappropriate or problematic in the contemporary context.