



INTS1202

Global Citizenship and Leadership

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General Information

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Prerequisites

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

What does it mean to be a global citizen in a time of disruption, inequality, and rapid change? What kind of leader could you become? This unit explores global leadership not as a title, but as a dynamic relationship between self, society, and system. Students consider how citizenship, belonging, and responsibility shape leadership across local and global contexts, from health and education to business, advocacy, sustainability, and diplomacy. Drawing on humanities and social sciences perspectives, the unit examines how leadership is shaped by culture, politics, and history. Students analyse diverse models of leadership (including feminist, Indigenous, distributed, and transformational approaches) and explore how communities mobilise to drive change. Students will also investigate leadership failures, developing the capacity to navigate disagreement, create shared purpose, and act ethically. Students identify their own strengths, commitments, and values, reflecting on how their experience connects with leadership domains that matter to them. By the end of the unit, students will have begun to shape their leadership identity and understand how values and experiences can contribute to collaborative, human-centred change.

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: Examine the principles and ethical responsibilities of global citizenship in professional contexts.

ULO2: Develop inclusive leadership strategies for engaging diverse teams and stakeholders globally.

ULO3: Apply critical reflection to assess your own leadership style and global citizenship competencies.

ULO4: Collaborate to address a global workplace challenge, demonstrating teamwork and intercultural skills.

General Assessment Information

LATE SUBMISSION OF ASSESSMENT TASKS

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, a 5% penalty (of the total possible mark) will be applied each day a written assessment is not submitted, up until the 7th day (including weekends). After the 7th day, a mark of '0' (zero) will be awarded even if the assessment is submitted. Submission time for all written assessments is set at 11.55 pm. A 1-hour grace period is provided to students who experience a technical issue.

This late penalty will apply to non-time-sensitive assessments (including essays, reports, posters, portfolios, journals, recordings, etc.). Late submission of time-sensitive tasks (such as tests/exams, performance assessments/presentations, scheduled practical assessments/labs, etc.) will only be addressed by the unit convenor in a Special consideration application. Special Consideration outcome may result in a new question or topic.

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/assessment-exams/special-consideration>

GRADE APPEAL POLICY

Macquarie University operates a Grade Appeal Policy: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/assessment-exams/appeals/grade-appeal>

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due	Groupwork/Individual	Short Extension	AI Approach
Global Citizenship Reflection	20%	No	21/08/2026	Individual	Yes	Open

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Leadership report	40%	No	21/09/2026	Individual	Yes	Open
Team challenge simulation	40%	No	Week 12, Week 13	Individual and Group	No	Observed

Global Citizenship Reflection

Assessment Type [1](#): Reflection task

Indicative Time on Task [2](#): 20 hours

Due: **21/08/2026**

Weighting: **20%**

Groupwork/Individual: Individual

Short extension [3](#): Yes

AI Approach: Open

Critically reflect on your responsibilities and values as a global citizen in a professional context.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Examine the principles and ethical responsibilities of global citizenship in professional contexts.
- Develop inclusive leadership strategies for engaging diverse teams and stakeholders globally.

Leadership report

Assessment Type [1](#): Written Submission

Indicative Time on Task [2](#): 35 hours

Due: **21/09/2026**

Weighting: **40%**

Groupwork/Individual: Individual

Short extension [3](#): Yes

AI Approach: Open

Based on interviews with community and/or industry leaders.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop inclusive leadership strategies for engaging diverse teams and stakeholders globally.
- Apply critical reflection to assess your own leadership style and global citizenship competencies.

Team challenge simulation

Assessment Type ¹: Practice-based task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 25 hours

Due: **Week 12, Week 13**

Weighting: **40%**

Groupwork/Individual: Individual and Group

Short extension ³: No

AI Approach: Observed

Collaborate to solve a simulated global workplace challenge, presenting your process and outcome.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop inclusive leadership strategies for engaging diverse teams and stakeholders globally.
- Collaborate to address a global workplace challenge, demonstrating teamwork and intercultural skills.

¹ If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- [Academic Success](#) for academic skills support.

² Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation.

³ An automatic short extension is available for some assessments. Apply through the [Service Connect Portal](#).

Delivery and Resources

CLASSES

Weekly lectures will be recorded and made available in Echo360 within 48 hours of the scheduled class time.

For current updates, lecture and tutorial times and classrooms, please consult the MQ Timetables website: <http://www.timetables.mq.edu.au>.

UNIT REQUIREMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS

You should spend an average of 12 hours per week on this unit. This includes watching or attending lectures prior to seminars or tutorials, reading weekly required materials as detailed in

iLearn/Leganto, participating in iLearn discussion forums and preparing assessments.

Internal students are expected to attend all seminars or tutorial sessions, and external students are expected to make significant contributions to the online discussion forums/activities.

In most cases, students are required to attempt and submit all major assessment tasks 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 the Leganto site. Electronic copies of required readings may be accessed through the library or will be made available by other means.

TECHNOLOGY USED AND REQUIRED

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. Basic computer skills and word-processing skills are also required.

Information about IT used at Macquarie University is available at http://students.mq.edu.au/it_services/

Unit Schedule

Please note that the weekly topics presented here are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information on weekly topics, activities, and assessment requirements, please refer to the unit iLearn site.

Week/Date	Topic	Assessment
Week 1 (27/07 – 02/08)	Who Gets to Belong? Understanding Citizenship in a Complex World	
Week 2 (03/08 – 09/08)	Beyond Borders: Debunking Global Citizenship	
Week 3 (10/08– 16/08)	Leading Through Uncertainty: Power, Crisis and Decision-Making	
Week 4 (17/08 – 23/08)	Rethinking Leadership: Power, Positionality and Social Change	21/08/2026 Global Citizenship Reflection
Week 5 (24/08 – 30/08)	Leadership as Practice: Developing Your Leadership Identity	

Week 6 (31/08 – 06/09)	When Leadership Fails: Ethics, Exclusion and Responsibility	
Week 7 (07/09 – 13/09)	Bridging Differences: Communication, Conflict and Collaboration	
Week 8 (14/09 – 20/09)	Difference as Strength: Leadership in Diverse Communities	21/09/2026 Leadership report
(21/09 – 05/10)	RECESS	
Week 9 (05/10 – 11/10)	Leading Online: Digital Citizenship and Global Participation	
Week 10 (12/10 – 18/10)	Leading Ethically: Power, Narratives and Responsibility	
Week 11 (19/10 – 25/10)	Global Citizenship in a Fragmented World: Geopolitics, Power and Leadership	
Week 12 (26/10 – 01/11)	Seeing the Bigger Picture: Systems Thinking for Global Citizenship and Leadership	Team challenge simulation
Week 13 (02/11 – 06/11)	Assessments 2 & 3	Team challenge simulation

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://policies.mq.edu.au\)](https://policies.mq.edu.au). 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](#)
- [Assessment Procedure](#)
- [Complaints Resolution Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#)

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

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit [Policy Central](https://policies.mq.edu.au) (<https://policies.mq.edu.au>) and use the [search tool](#).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/student-conduct>

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 connect.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Academic Integrity

At Macquarie, we believe [academic integrity](#) – honesty, respect, trust, responsibility, fairness and courage – is at the core of learning, teaching and research. We recognise that meeting the expectations required to complete your assessments can be challenging. So, we offer you a range of resources and services to help you reach your potential, including free [online writing and maths support](#), [academic skills development](#) and [wellbeing consultations](#).

Student Support

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

Academic Success

[Academic Success](#) provides resources to develop your English language proficiency, academic writing, and communication skills.

- [Ask a Study Coach](#)
- [Access StudyWISE](#)
- [Upload an assignment to Studiosity](#)
- [Complete the 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

Macquarie University offers a range of [Student Support Services](#) including:

- [IT Support](#)
- [Accessibility and disability support](#) with study
- Mental health [support](#)
- [Safety support](#) to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- [Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues](#)
- [Student Advocacy](#) provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

Student Enquiries

Got a question? Ask us via the [Service Connect Portal](#), or contact [Service Connect](#).

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <https://students.mq.edu.au/support/technology/service-desk>.

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.

Unit information based on version 2026.04 of the [Handbook](#)