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General Information

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Credit points

3

Prerequisites

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit aims to build students' broad and fundamental appreciation of the diversity, positioning and interactions of Asian countries in the globe. The unit facilitates a sophisticated understanding of the increasingly relevant and influential role played by twenty-first century Asia in a global context, and builds an inter-disciplinary platform for further study of other specific areas. A wide range of issues, which make up today's Asia, will be analysed from political, economic, historical, socio-cultural and religious perspectives. Interactions amongst students from widely diverse backgrounds will maximise opportunities to broaden intercultural awareness of Asia and to nurture engagement with the beliefs, values and activities of other cultures in our closely interrelated globe. The unit is conducted in English.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://students.mq.edu.au/important-dates>

Learning Outcomes

1. Develop understanding of a wide range of issues concerning Asian societies and cultures
2. Develop understanding of key facts about the state of private and public spheres of socio-cultural life in countries where change is occurring at a very rapid pace
3. Generate informed and original analysis of major issues of Asian societies in its local and global contexts and express the analysis in a clear and focused manner in oral and written form

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5. Demonstrate initiative and competence in research, including locating relevant materials and writing in an efficient and timely manner with correct referencing
6. Build interpersonal communication skills through lecture and tutorial participation and online discussion

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Due
<u>Unit Participation</u>	20%	Ongoing
<u>Tutorial Presentation</u>	20%	Between Weeks 3 and 11
<u>Literature Review</u>	20%	April 8
<u>Essay</u>	40%	June 10

Unit Participation

Due: **Ongoing**

Weighting: **20%**

Unit participation comprises participation in tutorials and online discussion. Tutorial attendance and online discussion are both compulsory. Participation will be assessed in terms of the quality and consistency of participation.

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Tutorial Presentation

Due: **Between Weeks 3 and 11**

Weighting: **20%**

Working in small groups, students prepare a PPT presentation of 10-12 slides and present it in class. The assignment includes a self-/peer-evaluation component.

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Literature Review

Due: **April 8**

Weighting: **20%**

Students select a topic from amongst those set for study, choose two scholarly readings (journal articles, books, chapters of books) from a given list, and write a review of them in 1000 words.

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Essay

Due: **June 10**

Weighting: **40%**

Students write a 2000 word essay in response to a question chosen from a prescribed list.

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Delivery and Resources

The unit consists of lectures and tutorials supported by Echo360 (iLecture). The unit can be accessed at: <http://www.ilearn.mq.edu.au>.

Readings are available through the Library eReserve.

Unit Schedule

Weekly Unit Schedule can be found in the iLearn site.

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

Assessment Policy <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html>

Grading Policy <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grading/policy.html>

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

Grievance Management Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance_management/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/

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 Enquiry Service

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

Equity 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.

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel>

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

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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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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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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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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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.

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Late Submissions

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.