



# MHIS301

## Indigenous-Settler Histories: Comparative Contexts

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## General Information

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Credit points

3

Prerequisites

6cp at 200 level

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

European colonisation of the globe is one of the most important stories of world history. It defined and shaped colonised and coloniser and left legacies which are still being felt today, even in the stories nations tell about themselves. MHIS301 charts key aspects of this history in global comparative frame focussing on Australia, North America, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa. Using a range of historical sources including documentary and archives, as well as rich web-based resources, the unit explores issues such as contact, resistance and cultural adaptation and the contemporary politics of rights, reparation and memory. It recovers Indigenous historical experience.

## 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:

Understand settler colonialism as a structure in world history

Compare models, practices and outcomes of settler colonialism in different geographical and temporal frames

Understand Indigenous historical experience in these contexts

Develop critical and analytical research skills

Develop integrative, creative thinking and problem solving skills

Understand legacies of settler colonialism in contemporary contexts

Develop effective oral and written communication

## General Assessment Information

All assessments for this unit are clearly identified and instructions laid out in iLearn. Please consult the iLearn homepage and take the time to scroll through it, paying particular attention to the dedicated section on assessment.

### Late Submission Policy

*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.*

## Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
<a href="#"><u>Primary Source Task</u></a>	10%	No	Friday, 24th August
<a href="#"><u>Secondary Source Task</u></a>	20%	No	Friday, 13th September
<a href="#"><u>Presentation</u></a>	10%	No	Either Friday 18th or 25th October
<a href="#"><u>Research Essay</u></a>	50%	No	Friday, 1st November
<a href="#"><u>Participation</u></a>	10%	No	Ongoing across semester

### Primary Source Task

Due: **Friday, 24th August**

Weighting: **10%**

This task is composed of two parts (see below). After reading the document 'Choosing and Preparing your MHIS301 Research Project' (on iLearn) and having selected your primary source base for the research essay you are to write a primary source report.

This task is getting you to reflect on your primary source and to think critically about it. It is both a description of the source/s and a reflection on its historical relevance. A key component of this task is to develop a research question. This question might change in the course of completing the research essay. However, it is important to start the process sooner rather than later.

**Part 1:** You should consider the following things in relation to this task. Ask the following questions of your source:

1. What is it?
2. Who created it and why?
3. When and where was it created?
4. What was the audience?

5. What can we determine about the historical period and /or topic?
6. Limitations (what can't we know by looking at the source on its own)?
7. What questions does it raise?

**Part 2:** Compose an historical question.

Using your chosen primary source as a stimulus, develop a question about your proposed topic which relates to your primary source. What are you going to investigate? What are you interested in? What question comes to mind when thinking about your source? Why did you choose your source?

NB: Where possible include a link or image of the source when you submit this task via turnitin.

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## Secondary Source Task

Due: **Friday, 13th September**

Weighting: **20%**

You are to write an annotated bibliography focussing on 5 key works. An annotated bibliography is a list of books, articles, documents that you have found which are going to be useful to your research project. The purpose is to inform the reader about the relevance of the works to your project. It should identify the key argument/s of your chosen sources and why or how they relate to and help inform your question. You have up to 1250 words, which is roughly 250 words per book.

You can use either book chapters or journal articles **but your bibliography must include one complete book.**

Below are a list of useful resources for writing an annotated bibliography. As the University of Cornell suggests, doing this task is all about **concise exposition, succinct analysis** and **informed library research**. It is also about you understanding your historiographical base.

### References for Annotated Bibliographies

<https://student.unsw.edu.au/annotated-bibliography>

<http://guides.library.cornell.edu/annotatedbibliography>

[https://www.une.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/11132/WE\\_Writing-an-annotated-bibliography.pdf](https://www.une.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/11132/WE_Writing-an-annotated-bibliography.pdf)

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## Presentation

Due: **Either Friday 18th or 25th October**

Weighting: **10%**

Each student is to do a 5-minute presentation to the class about one key piece of evidence used in their research. This will involve briefly outlining the topic and identifying the leading research question. You can consider the following:

- What is your evidence and why is it significant?
- How did you come across it and why is it of interest to you?
- What it reveals to you.
- What other sources it relates to or sheds light on.

You will be assessed on your ability to present clearly and engagingly, and your ability to edit content to the required timeframe. This assessment task is designed to assess your oral communication skills, and your ability to organise and deliver information in non-written formats.

As you are all working on different subjects, this will be a wonderful opportunity to hear about everyone's discoveries and special interests. You should use a presentation tool like PowerPoint, Keynote or Prezi to deliver your presentation. You will be expected to be able to answer audience questions afterwards.

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- Develop effective oral and written communication

## Research Essay

Due: **Friday, 1st November**

Weighting: **50%**

You are to write a 2,500-3,000 word research essay on your chosen topic/question. This should include between 10-15 references (as a minimum). Your chosen primary source should feature in the essay and you can, of course, use more than one source if you wish.

## Format

Submit essay via turnitin link on iLearn and include the following:

- The essay question
- 1.5 spacing
- Page numbers
- Bibliography
- Referencing – please note, only footnotes will be accepted.

Check Guide to Essay writing link on iLearn

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## Participation

Due: **Ongoing across semester**

Weighting: **10%**

The seminars for this unit are set around a different theme each week. There are compulsory set readings which every student is required to read in preparation for each week's discussion and activities in class time (or via the discussion forum for external students). There is a link directly to the compulsory reading on the iLearn site (Leganto) so there are no excuses for not doing the readings. Contributing to class discussions may include offering views and interpretations to questions, working in groups to develop group responses to set tasks, leading discussion (where required) and listening/responding to peers and convenor in a respectful, collaborative and co-operative manner.

Your contributions will be cumulative and you will be assessed on your overall contributions to all aspects of the seminar. Engagement and commitment is vital.

Seminar attendance and participation is compulsory. In the case of missing a class due to sickness or misadventure a medical certificate is required.

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## Delivery and Resources

This unit consists of 1 x 1 hour lecture and a 2x1 hour seminar.

Lecture: Wednesday, 10-11, 4 Western Rd, Room 221 (recorded and available via ECHO for download for external students).

Seminar: Wednesday, 12-2, 8 Sir Christopher Ondaatje Avenue, Room 116

The unit has an iLearn presence. All students need access to a reliable computer and broadband internet. The iLearn site is comprehensive and includes links to a variety of online resources.

Compulsory readings will be available via the Leganto Reading Lists in iLearn. Once you click on this it will take you directly to the readings for each week.

### Important Information for External Students (including OUA Students)

The unit convenor understands the challenges and difficulties of studying in external mode. Discussions around weekly topics will occur via the online discussion forum which many of you will be familiar with. Given the way this unit is scaffolded in terms of the assessment tasks, and given the fact that it is centred around a research project that is self-selecting, the convenor is concerned to create a space where external students and her can discuss the issues and challenges of the unit and your projects. To facilitate discussion the web conferencing app, ZOOM (a bit like skype), will be used. All external students are advised to download this app (Free). The convenor will provide a set of dates and meeting times at the beginning of the semester. Hopefully, all external students will be able to make it to one of these zoom meetings. This will be a non-compulsory introductory meet and greet (exclusively for external students in the unit) where students can ask any questions about the unit, content, assessments, etc. The convenor will consider creating further online meetings as the need arises.

Please be advised that all the details and instructions around zoom are available on iLearn under the 'Assessment' tab. Please consult it and/or email the convenor with any queries (alison.holland@mq.edu.au).

## Unit Schedule

Week	Date	Lecture	Seminar
1	29 July - 2nd August	Introduction	Intro and Pre-Colonial Societies

2	5-9- August	Empire	Settler Colonialism
3	12-16 August	Frontier War	Contact and Collision
4	19-23 August	Disease	Frontier Wars
5	26-30 August	Treaties	Law and Sovereignty
6	2-6 September	Doomed Race	Cultural Accommodation
7	9-13 September	Civil Rights	Science
8	30 September-4 October	Humanitarian Conscience	Intimate Frontiers
9	7-11 October	Assimilation	Defending Rights
10	14-18 October	The 60s Revolution	Assimilation
11	21-25 October	Land	Black Power
12	28 October - 1st November	Repatriation	Sovereignty
13	4-8 November	Truth and Reconciliation	Indigenous Societies Today

## 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.*)

Undergraduate 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 \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](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 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](mailto:globalmba.support@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>

If you are a Global MBA student contact [globalmba.support@mq.edu.au](mailto: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/](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**

- Develop critical and analytical research skills
- Develop integrative, creative thinking and problem solving skills
- Develop effective oral and written communication

### **Assessment tasks**

- Primary Source Task
- Presentation
- Research Essay

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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### **Assessment tasks**

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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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## **Assessment tasks**

- Research Essay
- Participation

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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## **Assessment tasks**

- Primary Source Task
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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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

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## **Assessment tasks**

- Primary Source Task
- Secondary Source Task
- Presentation
- Research Essay

## **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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## **Assessment tasks**

- Secondary Source Task
- Presentation

- Research Essay

## 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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

### Learning outcome

- Develop effective oral and written communication

### Assessment tasks

- Primary Source Task
- Presentation
- Research Essay
- Participation

## 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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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### Assessment task

- Participation

## 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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

### **Learning outcomes**

- Understand settler colonialism as a structure in world history
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### **Assessment task**

- Participation