



The University of Southern Queensland

Course specification

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Description: Australia and Asia - Issues

Subject	Cat-nbr	Term	Mode	Units	Campus
INR	4011	2, 2010	WEB	1	Toowoomba

Academic group:	FOART
Academic org:	FOA003
Student contribution band:	1
ASCED code:	090101

STAFFING

Examiner: Richard Gehrman
Moderator: Anna Hayes

SYNOPSIS

Drawing upon an International Relations framework, the course briefly reviews the key aspects regarding evolving perceptions and relationships between Australia and Asia. Several contemporary issues are considered, including global and Asia-Pacific regional economies, Australian security, human security, and law and order challenges.

OBJECTIVES

On completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Critically comprehend the growth and dimensions of Australia's engagement with Asia, with a focus on economic issues, aid policies, law and order concerns, tourism, immigration, and education issues;
2. explain and evaluate some of the main issues and interactions between the state(s) and peoples of Australia and Asia in the broad context of "human security";
3. communication skills appropriate to the discipline by preparing and submitting assigned literature critiques and major essays;
4. ethical research and enquiry skills by comprehending and applying referencing norms and practices.

TOPICS

Description	Weighting (%)
1. Overview: Contexts and Evolving Relations	10.00
2. Australia and the Global Asian Regional Economy	10.00
3. Human Security and Law & Order Issues People Smuggling The Environmental Concerns of Security Women Around the Globe The Impacts of Pandemic Illnesses	40.00

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| 4. | Securing Australia(ns) - War and Peace Issues 40 4.1 Regional
Terrorism and Responses 4.2 Challenges in the Australian – US
alliance 4.3 Regional Interventions: East Timor and the Solomon
Islands 4.4 Alliance Frameworks: Iraq and Afghanistan | 40.00 |
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TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the 'Textbook Search' facility at <http://bookshop.usq.edu.au> click 'Semester', then enter your 'Course Code' (no spaces).

Connors, M, Davidson, R & Dosch, J2004, *The new global politics of the Asia-Pacific*, Routledge, Curzon, UK.

Firth, S2005, *Australia in international politics: an introduction*, 2nd edn, Allen & Unwin, Sydney.

REFERENCE MATERIALS

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.

Booth, K & Dunne, T (eds)2002, *Worlds in collision: terror and the future of global order*, Palgrave, UK.

Cotton, J & Ravenhill, J (eds)1997, *Seeking Asian engagement: Australia in world affairs, 1991-1995*, Oxford University Press, Melbourne.

Cotton, J & Ravenhill, J (eds)2002, *The national interest in a global era: Australia in world affairs, 1996-2000*, 2nd edn, Oxford University Press, Melbourne.

Dupont, A2001, *East Asia imperilled: transnational challenges to security*, Cambridge University Press, UK.

Fry, G & O'Hagan, J (eds)2000, *Contending images of world politics*, Macmillan, London.

Galligan, B, Roberts, W & Trifiletti, G*Australians and globalisation: the experiences of two centuries*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

Kegley, C & Wittkopf, E (eds)2001, *The global agenda: issues and perspectives*, 6th edn, McGraw-Hill Higher Education, USA.

McDougall, D1998, *Australian foreign relations: contemporary perspectives*, Longman, South Melbourne.

McGillivray, M & Smith, G (eds)1997, *Australia and Asia*, Oxford University Press, Melbourne.

McGrew, A & Brook, C (eds)1998, *Asia-Pacific in the new world order*, Routledge, UK.

Tow, WT2001, *Asia-Pacific strategic relations: seeking convergent security*, Cambridge University Press, UK.

White, B, Little, R & Smith, R (eds)2005, *Issues in world politics*, 3rd edn, Palgrave, UK.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

ACTIVITY	HOURS
Private Study	165.00

ASSESSMENT DETAILS

Description	Marks out of	Wtg (%)	Due date
ASSIGNMENT 1	100	30	16 Aug 2010 (see note 1)
ASSIGNMENT 2	100	30	20 Sep 2010 (see note 2)
ASSIGNMENT 3	100	40	25 Oct 2010 (see note 3)

NOTES

1. 1500 word Literature Critique . This assessment is aligned with all Objectives.
2. 1500 Word Literature Critique. This assessment is aligned with all Objectives
3. 2000 Word Major Paper. This assessment is aligned with all Objectives.