

POLI 3014 WAR AND PEACE

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 101375

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Description This unit examines problems and issues in international politics. In particular the unit critically assesses the major theoretical paradigms associated with attempts to explain international behaviour of key individuals, nations and the international system. Major issues and key problems in world affairs since the end of World War Two (such as justice and equality, human rights and terrorism) are examined.

School Humanities & Comm Arts

Discipline Political Science

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Incompatible Subjects LGYB 0053 - War and Peace

Restrictions Successful completion of 60 credit points

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Knowledge of contending theories on the causes of war and international conflict.
2. An understanding of the nuances in international relations discourse.
3. The capacity to explain the foundations of international politics in the post war period and its relevance to contemporary issues.
4. Sensitivity to cross-cultural and cross-national issues.

Subject Content

A critical evaluation of international relations theory.

The dynamics of the international environment and its implications for foreign policy.

The Cold War - an evaluation of post war international relations at the global and regional level.

Post cold war developments.

Arms race and weapons proliferation.

Terrorism.

Poverty and inequality.

Gender.

Teaching Periods