

# HUMN 2064 RESPONSES TO DISASTER: SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES WINTER SCHOOL

**Credit Points** 10

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**Description** This elective unit, focused on "responses to disaster", is applicable to all undergraduate degree programs with an elective component in the School of Social Sciences. Students will undertake a 14-day international field trip where they will be immersed in a rich intercultural learning and student-centred environment. Students are given the opportunity to apply their discipline specific skills and knowledge in understanding how natural disasters impact various facets of a local community, and how these are managed in a real-world setting. Students must have a medical clearance letter and any requisite vaccinations. They should provide this letter to the Unit Coordinator prior to enrolment and departure.

**School** Social Sciences

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 2 subject

**Restrictions** ? Students must be enrolled in one of the following programs: 1664 Bachelor of Tourism Management 1665 Bachelor of Community Welfare 1666 Bachelor of Social Work 1667 Bachelor of Social Science 1709 Bachelor of Criminal and Community Justice 1710 Bachelor of Criminology 1713 Bachelor of Criminal and Community Justice/Bachelor of Social Work 1732 Bachelor of Planning 1733 Bachelor of Social Science (Advanced) 1734 Bachelor of Policing (Leadership Program) 1735 Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies 1790 Bachelor of Anthropology 1837 Bachelor of Cyber Security and Behaviour 1844 Bachelor of Policing 6023 Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Social Science 6025 Diploma in Criminal and Community Justice/Bachelor of Criminal and Community Justice 6027 Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies 6030 Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Tourism Management 6044 Diploma in Social Science (Policing)/Bachelor of Policing ? Students must have achieved a minimum GPA of 5 in order to enrol. ? Students must have completed 80 credit points of study. ? Students must have a medical clearance letter from their GP, and the appropriate vaccinations. They should provide this proof to the subject Coordinator prior to enrolment and departure.

## Learning Outcomes

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

1. Examine the impacts of, and local strategies to manage, natural disasters across different facets of community life using an evidence-based approach.
2. Identify the relationships between local and global processes through the lens of responses to disaster.
3. Apply intercultural competence and critical reflexivity in a cross-cultural collaborative setting.

4. Disseminate learning and information in various formats and to different audiences.

## Subject Content

1. How to prepare for cross-cultural collaboration (in an Indonesian context).
2. The ethics and politics of working in a disaster context.
3. How to understand and apply local responses to disaster through different disciplinary lenses.
4. How to consolidate and disseminate intercultural learning.

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task
Reflection: Online Blog (4 x 200 word entries)	800 words	30	N	Individual
Responses to Disaster Report	2,000 words	50	N	Individual
Poster & Presentation	5 minutes	20	N	Individual

Teaching Periods