

International Studies

International Studies is a Board Developed Course

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International studies is an interdisciplinary course that provides a unique conceptual framework for the study of culture, and the promotion of intercultural understanding. Through education, travel, work and trade, students increasingly understand how the study of culture requires knowledge to inform values and develop individual and community participation, action, and commitment to be a global citizen.

International studies provides students with an opportunity to explore and recognise their own cultures, and appreciate the richness of multicultural Australia and the world. As Australia is part of the Asia-Pacific region, the International studies course lends itself to an emphasis on, but is not limited to, this region.

Students gain knowledge of different cultural practices, values, beliefs and heritages to form a broader world-view. They gain skills to recognise fact, detect bias and challenge stereotypes by exploring cultural difference and interconnectedness. This enables students to understand and value inclusion, and to respect the rights of others. Students learn to conceptualise and explore interrelationships and empathise with others at a local, national, regional and global level.

In summary, International studies equips students with intercultural sensitivities and the critical skills of analysis and intercultural understanding to participate in, and contribute to, building a cohesive and just world.

Subject Assessment: In this course, there is an assessment as learning approach. This involves students in the learning process where they monitor their own progress, ask questions and practise skills. Students use self-assessment and teacher feedback to reflect on their learning, consolidate their understandings and work towards learning goals.

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