# **COURSE DETAIL**

INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL ISSUES

**Country** Australia

Host Institution Australian National University

**Program(s)** Australian National University

UCEAP Course Level Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s) Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

**UCEAP Course Suffix** 

**UCEAP Official Title** INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL ISSUES

UCEAP Transcript Title INTRO: INTL REL

**UCEAP Quarter Units** 6.00

### **UCEAP Semester Units**

#### **Course Description**

This course looks at the ideas, issues, and actions that shape our contemporary world. It asks how we understand the world, how we might understand it differently and why certain issues dominate global politics while others are ignored. It also examines the capacity for people, organizations, and nations to co-operate in search of solutions to today's pressing problems. In doing so, this course is broken up into two key sections: Global Visions; and Conflict and Co-operation. The first section looks at different approaches to thinking about international relations and world politics and introduces students to the key actors, agents, institutions and ideas that dominate the world today. The second section, 'Crisis and Cooperation' looks at the sources of international tensions, and the possibilities for global co-operation around major issues such as transnational conflict, international political economy, global environmental management, and human and social rights. In each theme this course examines the history of these major areas of contemporary international relations and the competing debates and agendas within them. It then focuses upon causes and consequences of a contemporary crisis and examines the possibilities of global co-operation in its resolution.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

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**Host Institution Campus** 

Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Department

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