

CULT 2004 CULTURE, IDENTITY, DIFFERENCE (BLOCK MODE)

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 101766

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Description This unit introduces students to a range of contemporary theories and concepts that will develop their understanding and analysis of culture, identity and difference within the Australian context. Students will explore the historical and social aspects of culture and identity, and the power and positioning within these. Locations of difference will also be explored such as gender, race, class, ethnicity, sexuality, ability, geography in the Australian context.

School Social Sciences

Discipline Society and Culture, Not Elsewhere Classified.

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

Check your HECS Band contribution amount via the Fees (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/fees/) page.

Level Undergraduate Level 2 subject

Equivalent Subjects CULT 1022 - Working with Cultural Differences
CEDS 2002 - Working with Cultural Differences in Educational Settings
LGYA 7380 - Working with Cultural Differences in Educational Settings

Restrictions Students must be enrolled in 1689 Bachelor of Community and Social Development and must have successfully completed 30 credit points.

Learning Outcomes

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

1. Demonstrate understanding of contemporary theories and concepts of culture, identity and difference;
2. Analyse the operation of power in terms of culture, identity and difference in the Australian context;
3. Describe the historical and social contexts of cultural differences in Australia;
4. Demonstrate understanding of the concept of whiteness as a structure of authority and as a location of identity;
5. Explain the operation of sites of power and difference including class, race, gender, ethnicity, ability, geographic location, sexuality, religion.

Subject Content

Culture, cultural difference and identity

Historical and social perspectives on cultural differences in Australia

Narratives about difference and identities

Understanding of power and positionings within cultural differences

Whiteness as a structure of authority and as a location of identity

Discourses of Indigeneity, Multiculturalism and Belonging in recent Australian history

Locations of difference such as gender, race, class, ethnicity, sexuality, ability, geography in the Australian context

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
Essay	1,000 words	35	N	Individual
Individual Presentation	20 minutes	25	N	Individual
Case Study	2,000 words	40	N	Individual

Teaching Periods