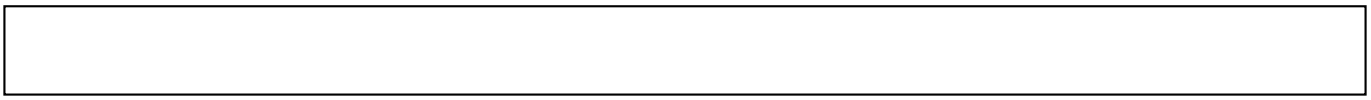
ARTS2698

Intercultural Interaction

Term One // 2021

School of Humanities and Languages // UNSW Arts and Social Sciences



Course Details

Credit Points 6

Summary of the Course

This course views interaction as the management of communication, including negotiation, conflict and power relations. It is designed for students with an interest in intercultural interaction, such as communication among people from different languages and cultures in varying contexts. You will find the course relevant to many fields of study, owing to the increasing phenomenon of globalisation in all aspects of our political, economic, professional and social lives. You will explore the basic concepts of linguistic and non-linguistic realisations of culture, as well as an understanding of how these play out in various social, political, and religious contexts, intra-culturally and interculturally. You will examine issues of power, distance and difference as crucial notions in contexts of linguistic interaction. Much of the content of the course involves students in interactive scenarios, reflective activities, and working towards analytic conclusions.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Apply context-sensitive analysis to interactions in multilingual and multicultural environments
2. Question the issues of identity, religion, nationalism and ethnicity in people's conception of themselves and others
3. Examine the role that power, social distance, economics and values play in intercultural interactions
4. Analyse specific inter-cultural interactions from the position of understanding and managing rapport, conflict, negotiation and difference and then argue the merits of the analysis

Teaching Strategies

This course is delivered in a workshop format with online activities.

Assessment

Assessment Tasks

Assessment task	Weight	Due Date	Student Learning Outcomes Assessed
Student Presentation	20%	Class roster - on going	1, 3
Online Quiz	20%	30/03/2021 03:00 PM	2
Mini-Project	60%	03/05/2021 06:00 PM	1, 3, 4

Assessment Details

Assessment 1: Student Presentation

Start date: Class roster - on going

Details:

These presentations are ongoing, throughout the term.

5 minutes and 5 for questions from the class and the lecturer.

Each student prepares a particular, targeted linguistic problem, and presents once in the term. In a class of 30 students, there are 3 individual presentations a week.

Feedback in writing from the lecturer and orally from the class and the lecturer.

Turnitin setting: This assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students do not see Turnitin similarity reports.

Assessment 2: Online Quiz

Start date: 29/03/2021 03:00 PM

Details:

3-4 problems, paragraph form, altogether 1200 words

Written feedback on written work

Additional details:

Students take the online quiz in class.

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Assessment 3: Mini-Project

Start date: 05/04/2021 02:00 PM

Details:

Essay 3000 words

Written feedback ‰ ‰ ‰ ‰ ‰ h

Attendance Requirements

- Attendance of Lectures/Tutorials is mandatory in this course. Unexcused absence from more than 20% of Lectures/Tutorials will result in the award a fail grade.
- Please *clqspc rf_r wms qgel* on the weekly attendance list.
- Studies have shown that high attendance correlates with better engagement and success on a course.

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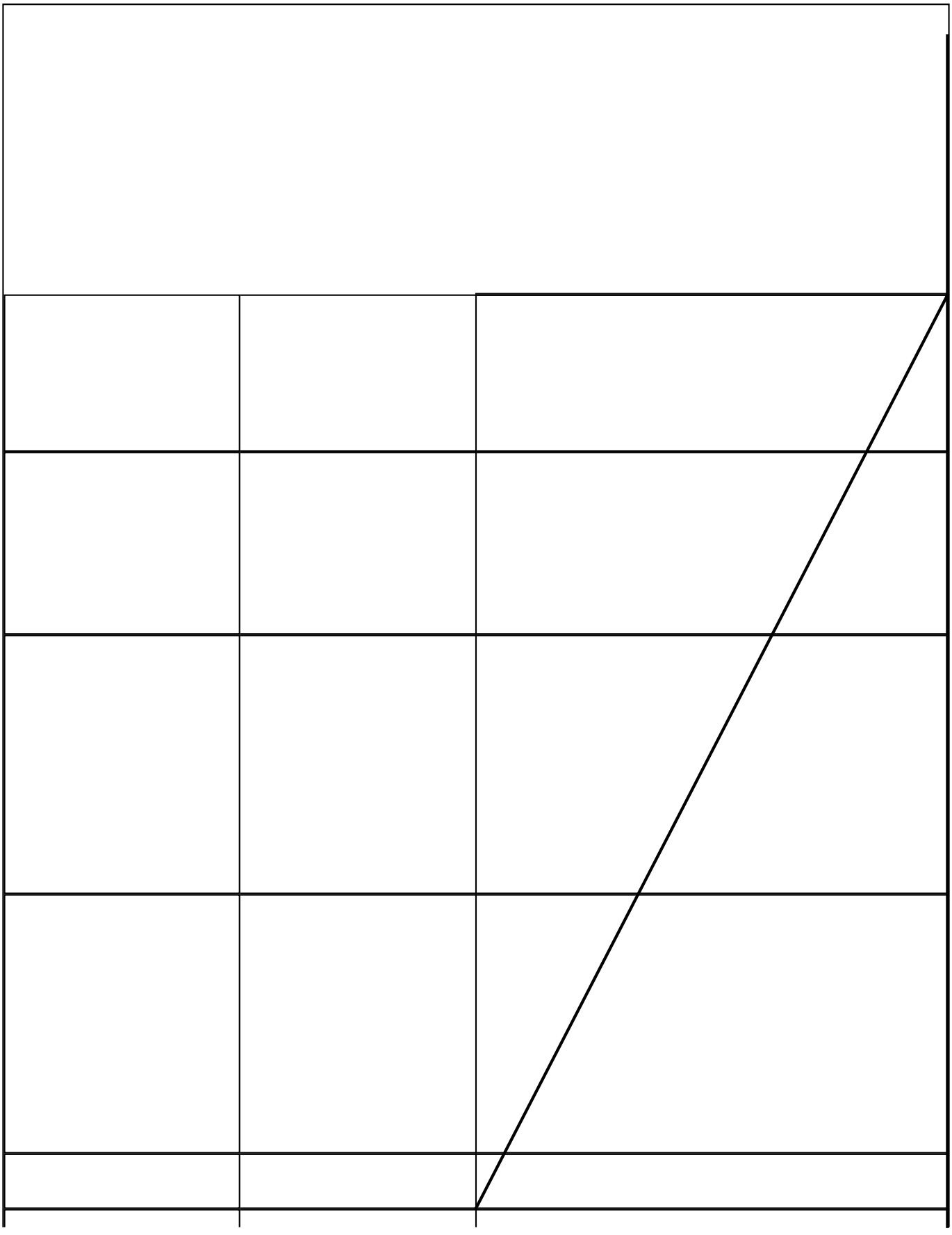

Week 7: 29 March - 2 April	Module	Positioning in interactions

Resources

Prescribed Resources

- Bowe, H., Martin, K., and Manns, H. (2014). Communication across Cultures: Mutual understanding in a global world. 2nd edition. Melbourne: Cambridge University Press.
- Hua, Zhu (2014) Exploring Intercultural Communication. Routledge. See eBook.

Recommended Resources

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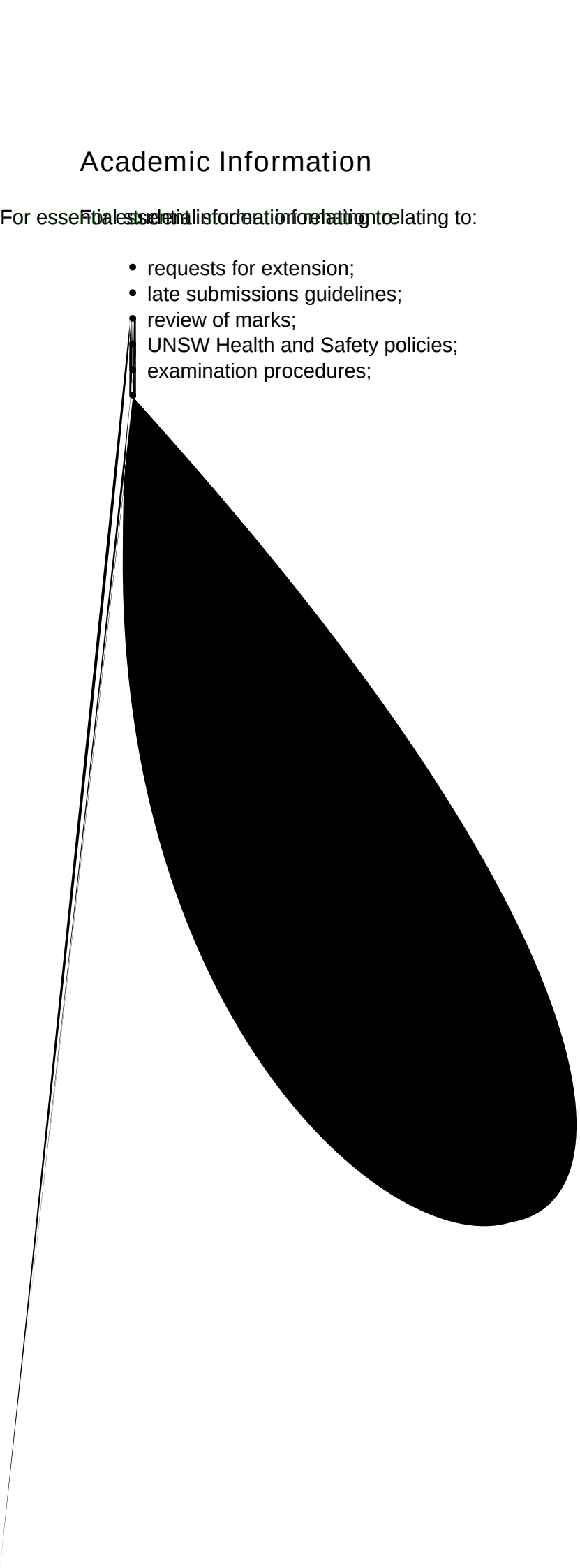
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