

General Education Guidelines for Exercise Physiology

UNSW requires that undergraduate students undertake a structured program in General Education as an integral part of studies for their degree.

The General Education Program at UNSW intends to broaden and deepen students' understanding of the environment in which they live and work and to enhance their critical analysis skills. Above all, the program presents students with interesting, challenging and enjoyable opportunities to pursue their own intellectual curiosity.

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Exercise Physiology cannot take General Education courses that relate to the field of Exercise Physiology or any of its sub-disciplines. For example, courses that relate to Psychology, Physics, Health, Nutrition, and any other disciplines offered within the Exercise Physiology program should not be selected and will not be credited as General Education courses. Please see pages 6-7 of this document for examples of specific General Education courses that should NOT be selected by Exercise Physiology students.

General Education Requirements

The basic General Education requirements are the same for students in all single degree programs or concurrent degree programs drawn from one Faculty:

- Students must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 12 units of credit (i.e. 2 courses) in General Education courses or their equivalent taken from outside their home Faculty
- The University's General Education requirements are in addition to any core course requirements associated with the program or streams within the program
- Faculties retain the authority to direct students against taking certain courses from outside the home faculty as General Education if it is the Faculty's view that these courses substantially overlap with courses in the primary single or concurrent degree program. Please see pages 5 & 7 of this document for further clarification.

General Education Guide

Attached is a sample of some of the General Education courses on offer. Please note, a full list of all General Education Courses can be found in the UNSW Handbook <https://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au/>

Australian School of Business Courses

GENC3004

Personal Finance

Offered: Term 1, Term 2, Term 3, Summer

Description

The course introduces students from a non-financial background to the principles of accumulating, managing and protecting wealth. The course covers the topics of tracking expenses and preparing budgets, savings, buying on credit, securing a good job, buying a home, paying off mortgages faster, protecting yourself through using insurance, building wealth using superannuation, paying appropriate levels of tax and avoiding investment mistakes.

All GENC Courses can be viewed here:

<https://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au/browse/By%20Subject%20Area/GENC>

Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences Courses

ARTS1060

Introduction to Film Studies

Offered: Term 1

Description

In this course you will learn essential techniques and vocabulary for analysing, explaining and interpreting fictional and documentary films, skills that may also be applied to other audio-visual media. You will learn to recognise and apply specialised film studies terminology by closely studying films drawn from a range of contexts and historical periods

ARTS1090

Media, Culture and Everyday Life

Offered: Term 1

Description

Media and Everyday Life offers an accessible grounding in the traditions, perspectives and concepts of media studies. Starting with the familiar and the everyday, this course introduces students to the breadth of contemporary media studies from television and the tradition of mass media studies, to telephony and the study of networked media and communication technologies. With an eye on the way that television and telephony have adapted to changing realities over the decades, this course explains how media and communication technologies have transformed the rhythms of everyday life, the organisation of domestic space, the boundaries between private and public, and our sense of involvement with national and public collectivities. In addition, the course examines the concept of mediation by exploring how both television and telephony shape the experience of time, distance, immediacy and liveness.

ARTS1240

Environment and Society

Offered: Term 2

Description

This course introduces students to the cultural and political dimensions of some of the key environmental issues of our day. From climate change and biodiversity loss, to toxic waste and genetically modified organisms, all of these environmental issues are unavoidably entangled with human societies, beliefs and values. Through a range of case studies, the course introduces students to a diverse set of tools and approaches to better understand these 'human dimensions' of environmental issues.

ARTS2813

International Security

Offered: Term 3

Description

This course examines the key international security issues since the end of the Cold War. The end of the Cold War and globalisation have coincided with the emergence of a host of "new" security challenges to the state. These include the proliferation of conventional weapons and of weapons of mass destruction, international crime, international terrorism, environmental degradation, civil wars and ethnic violence. At the same time, traditional notions of security centered around the state has been challenged by advocates of human security, leading the emergence of the human security agenda which focuses on the human individual as the referent for security. To add to these, there remain traditional security concerns centred around war and conflict, geostrategic rivalries and arms races. The course examines the key security challenges of our times, both traditional and non-traditional, how they are manifested and how the state and the global community have attempted to cope with them.

Faculty of Law Courses

GENL0250

Sport, Law and Society in Australia

Offered: Term 1

Description

The rise of organised sport coincided with Australia's development as a nation playing a major role in developing Australian identities. As one of Australia's major cultural practices, participation and success in international sport became an essential element in projecting Australia on the global stage. In the late twentieth century sport became one of nation's fastest growing industries. This course explores the history of Australian sport and the development of a body of law to underpin its place and function in Australian society. Topics include sport and Australian nationalism; the rise of organised sport in Australia; development of sports governance; the intersection of sport and the law in issues of race, gender, ethnicity and religion; the debate between amateurism and professionalism; Australian sport on the global stage; doping and the law, the court of Arbitration for sport; the impact of corporate interest in Australian sport.

GENL0252

International Relations and Sport

Offered: Term 2 & Summer

Description

In the twentieth century sport was transformed from an amateur pastime to a global business and became an important tool for nations in the conduct international relations and diplomacy. This course will introduce students to the development of the international sports system and its modes of governance. It will consider the notion of an international sports law. It will explore the use of sport in international relations and diplomacy from the rise of totalitarian regimes in the 1930s to the present day. Using a series of case studies, the course will consider themes such as sport as international diplomacy; international treaties related to sport; sporting boycotts, human rights; discrimination; violence; women in sport; sport as development aid; corruption in sport; among others. It will also examine international organisations such as the IOC, FIFA, the World Anti-Doping Agency and the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

GENL1021

World Religions

Offered: Summer, Term 2

Description

This course offers students a general introduction to five of the world's major religions with a special focus on the way in which their specific laws and customs impact upon the behaviour of their adherents. The religions studied are Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Each week a specific practical theme will be traced across the five religions. The themes include sacred images; scriptural texts; ethics; the three life-cycle rituals of birth, death and marriage; food and clothing customs; the calendar; religious architecture and popular places of pilgrimage. An objective, comparative approach will be taken and little prior knowledge of any religious tradition is required. A major focus of the course is the social relevance of religion in today's society. Its aim is to deepen the student's appreciation of the rich mosaic, which characterises the practical and legal dimensions of the world's great religions.

GENL1063

Terror and Religion

Offered: Term 1

Description

The aim of *Terror and Religion* is to explore the historic and contemporary links between religion and terror and to help students understand the complexity of religious violence in the late 20th and early 21st centuries. The course investigates legal and other definitions of terrorism and the development of modern doctrines of terror. It examines topics such as religious motivation, and the justification and legitimisation of the use violence in a number of major religious belief systems. It identifies the differences between mainstream and extremist teachings. It analyses significant acts of religiously motivated violence, and explores background issues such as secularisation, modernism and globalisation, as well as more personal ones, such as the nature of religious conviction and its influence on behaviour.

All GENL Courses can be viewed here:

<https://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au/browse/By%20Subject%20Area/GENL>

Faculty of Science Courses

PHYS1160

Introduction to Astronomy

Offered: Summer, Term 1, Term 2,

Term 3

Description

Introduction to Astronomy and the search for life elsewhere. This course provides a broad overview of Astronomy and our place in the Cosmos. It covers the solar system and its exploration, stars, galaxies and cosmology, the Earth as a habitable planet and the search for life elsewhere in the universe. The course is delivered wholly on the internet through Moodle. The course is suitable as an introductory course for science students or as a general education course for non-scientists.

GENS4008

Nuclear Arms, Peace and Global Governance

Offered: Term 2

Description

Students are invited to study and discuss various questions concerning nuclear weapons, and the more general problem of preventing war. We look at the international political system, warfare and the arms race. We ask how a nuclear bomb actually works, and what its effects are likely to be. The associated issues of nuclear safeguards and the nuclear power industry are treated briefly. We study nuclear strategies, and then review attempts to control nuclear arms, particularly the Non-Proliferation Treaty. We discuss institutions of collective security aimed at preserving peace, including the European Union and the United Nations. Finally, we discuss steps towards improved governance at the global level, through which we may eventually remove the threat of nuclear weapons entirely.

All GENS Courses can be viewed here:

<https://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au/browse/By%20Subject%20Area/GENS>

General Education Courses NOT Suitable for Exercise Physiology Students



Faculty of Medicine Courses

Note: Students enrolled in Exercise Physiology are **not allowed** to enrol in any GENM course.

Medicine Courses Excluded

GENM0295	Personalised Medicine
GENM0510	Making News: Engaging the Media
GENM0518	Health and Power in an Internet Age
GENM0703	Concepts of Physical Activity, Exercise and Health
GENM0707	Nutrition and Health
GENM0708	Principles of Health Education and Behaviour Change



Faculty of Science Courses

Note: Students enrolled in Exercise Physiology are **not allowed** to enrol in the following courses for their General Education requirements. Psychology courses cannot be selected because the Exercise Physiology program includes one core psychology course and several electives courses in psychology. PHYS1110 Everyday Physics is excluded as a General Education course because the content overlaps with HESC2451 Biomechanics, a core course in the Exercise Physiology program.

Science Courses Excluded

PSYC1011	Psychology 1B
PSYC1022	The Psychology of Addiction
PSYC1023	Abnormal Psychology
PSYC1024	Clinical Perspectives on Anxiety, Mood and Stress
PSYC1031	Psychological Science of Resilience
PSYC2101	Assessment, Personality & Psychopathology
PHYS1110	Everyday Physics
GENS5013	Workplace Safety



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Courses

Note: Students enrolled in Exercise Physiology are **not allowed** to enrol in the following courses for their General Education requirements.

Arts & Social Science Courses Excluded

SOCW1004	Lifespan, Health and Resilience
EDST2044	Motivation in Learning and Teaching