

# **Module Specification**

# Exploring the International Relations of Southeast Asia

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## **Part 1: Information**

Module title: Exploring the International Relations of Southeast Asia

Module code: UZQY6H-15-3

Level: Level 6

For implementation from: 2023-24

**UWE credit rating: 15** 

**ECTS credit rating:** 7.5

Faculty: Faculty of Health & Applied Sciences

**Department:** HAS Dept of Social Sciences

Partner institutions: None

Field: Politics

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

# **Part 2: Description**

**Overview:** The module provides an excellent platform for students willing to expand their knowledge and understanding of historical as well as political relationships in Southeast Asia.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: See Learning Outcomes.

**Outline syllabus:** The module also critically engages in some of the most current international relations debates over the region, for example the continued development of the Association of South East Asian Nations as an international actor, the plethora of security challenges (both traditional and non-traditional), the rise of China and democratisation of Myanmar.

The module adopts a country focused approach, and focuses on the range of challenges that have emerged in the Southeast Asian region, the ways in which they have been resolved, and significant reasons why some have not been rectified.

This module explores and analyses how Southeast Asia has developed, both in terms of individual member states and as a regional player in the form of ASEAN. It will also explore the role that external actors have had in facilitating and hindering these developments.

# Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

**Teaching and learning methods:** Module will be delivered by a combination of Lectures and Seminar activities/discussions.

**Module Learning outcomes:** On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

**MO1** Critically reflect on the establishment of the Southeast Asian security environment.

**MO2** Critically assess Southeast Asian area studies from a range of approaches and perspectives.

**MO3** Critically compare and contrast the interests and priorities of state and nonstate actors in Southeast Asia.

**MO4** Critically investigate different approaches to (in)security taken by key actors in Southeast Asia.

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**MO5** Demonstrate the ability to critically analyse the challenges in Southeast Asian international relations, and orally communicate complex ideas within a dynamic environment.

**MO6** Critically evaluate, synthesise and apply literature of Southeast Asian studies to the study of international relations.

Hours to be allocated: 150

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 117 hours

Face-to-face learning = 33 hours

Total = 150

**Reading list:** The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link <a href="https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uzqy6h-15-3.html">https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uzqy6h-15-3.html</a>

Part 4: Assessment

**Assessment strategy:** There are two assessments. A written position paper to be delivered orally as an e-presentation, and a 2000 word essay, each worth 50% of the module marks.

The position paper requires the student to role play a regional actor, and develop and deliver a response to a set question. This will provide students with the opportunity to develop their skills in advancing clear and persuasive arguments orally within a controlled environment.

The essay will enable students to demonstrate that they have achieved the learning outcomes as well as to show how they have utilised research skills, independent study, and the ability to clearly articulate and communicate complex ideas in writing.

#### Assessment tasks:

# Written Assignment (First Sit)

Description: Essay (2000 words)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO6

## **Presentation** (First Sit)

Description: Presentation of position paper (10 mins)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5, MO6

## Written Assignment (Resit)

Description: Essay (2000 words)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO6

### **Presentation** (Resit)

Description: Presentation of position paper (10 minutes)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5, MO6

### Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Politics and International Relations [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] BA (Hons) 2021-22

Politics And International Relations [Sep][SW][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2020-21 Politics And International Relations (Foundation) [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2020-21

Politics And International Relations {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20

Politics And International Relations [Sep][PT][Frenchay][6yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20 Politics And International Relations [Sep][PT][Frenchay][6yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19