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# VCE UNITS INFORMATION

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## VCE Global Politics Units 3 and 4

### CONTENT

#### Unit 3: Global Actors

In this unit, students will learn more about international affairs in the twenty-first century that people and governments have to manage and attempt to resolve to help make the international community a stable place for everyone. Students will use current real world events to analyse key global actors (such as the United Nations, the International Criminal Court to Amnesty International) and their aims, roles, power and influence.

#### Unit 4: Global Challenges

In this unit, students investigate contemporary key challenges facing the international community in the twenty-first century. These include terrorism, child slavery, women's rights or climate change. Students then evaluate the effectiveness of responses to these issues. Students also explore the context and causes of global crises, and consider the varying effectiveness of responses and challenges to solving them.

### OUTCOMES

#### Unit 3

- Students should be able to evaluate the power and influence of key global actors in the twenty-first century and assess the extent to which they achieve their aims
- Student should be able to analyse and evaluate types and forms of power as used by a specific Asia-Pacific state in the region in pursuit of its national interest

#### Unit 4

- Students should be able to analyse two global political issues from a range of perspectives and evaluate the effectiveness of global actors' responses to these issues
- Student should be able to explain the characteristics of two contemporary global crises and evaluate the effectiveness of responses to these

### ASSESSMENT

The following four assessment tasks must be taken over Units 3 and 4:

- A multimedia presentation, a case study, an essay, a report, a test, structured questions, short-answer questions and/or an extended response.
- School Assessed Coursework for Unit 3 contributes 25% towards the overall study score
- School Assessed Coursework for Unit 4 contributes 25% towards the overall study score
- The level of achievement for Units 3 & 4 is also assessed by an end of year examination which will contribute the remaining 50% towards the study score