

Unit Outline (Higher Education)

Institute / School: Institute of Health and Wellbeing

Unit Title: RESEARCH HONOURS PROJECT 1

Unit ID: HEASP4111

Credit Points: 15.00

Prerequisite(s): NHPHS2102

Co-requisite(s): Nil

Exclusion(s): (EDBSP4111)

ASCED: 061707

Description of the Unit:

This unit supports students in developing knowledge and skills in the conceptualisation, design and planning of a research project in an health-related topic. Students will consolidate their skills in searching and appraising relevant academic and/or grey literature in order to undertake an initial scope of the current knowledge regarding a contemporary Speech Pathology practice issue. They will then use these findings as a foundation on which to design and develop a research project and construct a research proposal.

Grade Scheme: Graded (HD, D, C, P, MF, F, XF)

Work Experience:

Not wholly work experience: Student is not undertaking work experience in industry or student is undertaking work experience in industry where learning and performance is directed by the provider.

Placement Component: No

Supplementary Assessment: Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the Unit but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above, has completed all major assessment tasks (including all sub-components where a task has multiple parts) as specified in the Unit Description and is not eligible for any other form of supplementary assessment.

Course Level:



Level of Unit in Course	AQF Level of Course					
	5	6	7	8	9	10
Introductory						
Intermediate						
Advanced				V		

Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of the unit the students are expected to be able to:

Knowledge:

- **K1.** Identify and refine a research topic relevant to contemporary speech pathology theory and practice;
- **K2.** Examine research methodologies and associated methods, in order to identify a research approach that aligns effectively with a study question

Skills:

- **S1.** Search and identify relevant research evidence to inform research
- **S2.** Develop and communicate a comprehensive proposal justifying the rationale, underpinning methodology, data collection and analysis processes for a contemporary research topic

Application of knowledge and skills:

- **A1.** Critically appraise research evidence, identify gap in the literature, and determine how new knowledge can promote best practice in speech pathology
- **A2.** Apply ethical considerations to proposed research

Unit Content:

Professional Standards for Speech Pathologist in Australia (2020), Speech Pathology Guidelines for Reporting of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Curriculum Development and Inclusions (2018), FedUni STRETCH Reconciliation Action Plan (2019-2022), National Quality and Safeguarding Framework (NQSF, 2018), National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards (2017-2019) and National Aged Care Quality Standards (2019) have substantially informed the syllabus/content of this unit.

Topics may include:

Evidence based practice
Researching and appraising literature
Using bibliographical software such as Endnote
Critical appraisal tool
Identifying, defining and mapping key concepts
Formulating clinical/practice questions
Developing a search strategy
Appraising, synthesising and presenting the evidence

Learning Task and Assessment:

Professional Standards for Speech Pathologist in Australia (2020).



Students must complete all assessment tasks and achieve a minimum overall grade of 50% to pass this unit.

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
1. S1, A1	Critical appraisal of reviewed literature	Written assignment	40-60%
2. A2	Present ethical issues and overview of ethical application on research topic	Oral presentation	10-30%
3. K1, K2, S2	Develop a research proposal	Written assignment	20-40%

Adopted Reference Style:

APA

Refer to the <u>library website</u> for more information

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