

Unit Outline (Higher Education)

Institute / School:	Institute of Health and Wellbeing
Unit Title:	ADVANCING PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE
Unit ID:	NHPOT4025
Credit Points:	15.00
Prerequisite(s):	(NHPOT3021)
Co-requisite(s):	Nil
Exclusion(s):	Nil
ASCED:	061703

Description of the Unit:

This modular unit will equip students with knowledge and skills to support the advancement of their clinical practice. This unit will foster professional development relevant to a variety of specialist and emerging practice domains. The learning activities within the unit will enable in-depth critical examination of the complexities of contemporary and future occupational therapy clinical practice. As part of each module, students will engage in targeted reflection of their capabilities against the Australian Occupational Therapy Competency Standards. The modules equip students to undertake autonomous evidence-based practice in regional Australia. The modules will be offered in a semi-block mode across the semester to enable immersion in specialised areas of practice.

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	■	■	■	✓	■	■

Learning Outcomes:

Knowledge:

- K1.** Develop advanced knowledge and skills to support effective engagement in practice
- K2.** Synthesise and reframe knowledge of occupational therapy philosophy and practice in examining the potential occupational therapy role within non-traditional and emerging practice areas in regional and rural contexts

Skills:

- S1.** Consolidate their sense of professional competencies as required to articulate and negotiate the occupational therapy role within evolving health care contexts

Application of knowledge and skills:

- A1.** Apply professional knowledge and skills in specialist and emerging practice domains in rural and remote Australia in line with occupational therapy competency standards
- A2.** Critically analyse and apply advanced occupational therapy concepts across a range of professional service delivery sectors

Unit Content:

The following documentation has substantially informed the syllabus/content of this unit: The Occupational Therapy Board of Australia (OTBA) Code of Conduct (2014); Australian Occupational Therapy Competency Standards (2018); National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards (2017); National Standards for Mental Health 2020 as based on Mental Health Act 2014; Aged Care Quality Standards (2021); National Digital Health Framework (2021); and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Curriculum Framework (2020).

Topics may include:

- Occupational therapy philosophy and practice
- Occupational therapy role within non-traditional and emerging practice areas in regional and rural contexts
- Preparation for Clinical practice

The delivery of this unit will

- Build on the student's experiences of a range of clinical practice areas encountered in practice placements, and consolidate theoretical knowledge learned over the unit of their degree in a meaningful and relevant way.
- Examine current knowledge in relationship to the occupational therapy registration requirements/expectations for new graduates and identify potential areas of learning growth as they move into clinical practice.
- Develop skills and knowledge to facilitate life-long learning and encourage their success in their future clinical practice.

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1, K2, S1, A1, A2	Attendance and participation in at least 80% of Workshops	Attendance, Participation and Reflection	S/U
K1, K2, S1, A1, A2	Each unite module will be assessed using a short answer test. This will evaluate student's application of knowledge to professional case scenarios against the Australian Occupational Therapy Competency Standards. Students must pass each module test to pass the unit.	Class tests	70-90%
K1, K2, S1, A1, A2	Evidence-informed group poster to guide practice in a complex or emerging area of rural or remote practice	Group poster	10-30%

Adopted Reference Style:

APA

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