



Unit Outline (Higher Education)

Institute / School: Institute of Health and Wellbeing

Unit Title: Research Thesis 1 Part Time

Unit ID: SPMAN4020

Credit Points: 30.00

Prerequisite(s): (HEASC4001 and SPMAN4010)

Co-requisite(s): Nil

Exclusion(s): Nil

ASCED: 080399

Description of the Unit:

The course is based on an individual research thesis undertaken under the guidance of a research supervisor(s). The course is taken and assessed in conjunction with SPMAN 4010 Research Thesis 1 and SPMAN 4021 Research Thesis 2B Part Time Mode.

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

Work Experience:

No work experience

Placement Component: No

Supplementary Assessment: No

Supplementary assessment is not available to students who gain a fail in this Unit.

Course Level:

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

Learning Outcomes:



Knowledge:

- **K1.** Describe the process of independent research.
- **K2.** Discuss the place of theory in research.
- **K3.** Develop a research question in the context of current literature in the research area.
- **K4.** Describe and evaluate current methodologies of relevance to the research question for collecting and analysing data.
- **K5.** Decide on, and justify, an appropriate sampling strategy and method of data analysis.
- **K6.** Report on the ethical conduct of research.

Skills:

- **S1.** Construct a research question.
- **S2.** Based on the research question, design and carry out appropriate data collection methods, incorporating a suitable sampling strategy.
- **S3.** Critically evaluate published and unpublished research material.
- **S4.** Devise strategies of current awareness to keep informed and manage research.
- **S5.** Interpret and report on the analysis of primary and secondary data.

Application of knowledge and skills:

- **A1.** Compose a formatted, well written research project report documenting research results.
- **A2.** Prepare professional written documents and oral presentations for an audience of peers and staff.
- **A3.** Work in consultation with a supervisor to write and edit a thesis of Honours standard.

Unit Content:

The research thesis is a self-directed learning activity, but students will work closely with their supervisor to develop the research thesis and conduct the relevant thesis. Supervisors will provide guidance in completing the research thesis and to guide the student to successfully collect, analyse and interpret the data and help write the document.

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6 S1, S2, S3, S4 A1, A2, A3	Write a research thesis detailing an original scientific investigation, which includes the collection, analysis and interpretation of data in the context of research in the same discipline.	Written Report	100%

Adopted Reference Style:

APA

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

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