Course Outline (Higher Education)



School / Faculty:	Federation Business School			
Course Title:	ACTION LEARNING AND ACTION RESEARCH METHODOLOGY			
Course ID:	BUMGT6963			
Credit Points:	45.00			
Prerequisite(s):	(At least 120 credit points from ANY subject-area at any level)			
Co-requisite(s):	(BUMGT6965)			
Exclusion(s):	Nil			
ASCED Code:	080301			
Grading Scheme:	Graded (HD, D, C, etc.)			

Program Level:

AQF Level of Program							
	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Level							
Introductory					~		
Intermediate							
Advanced							

Learning Outcomes:

Knowledge:

- K1. Appraise of the principles and objectives of adult and student-centred earning
- **K2.** Explain the major approaches to action research as a social research and intervention methodology
- **K3.** Recognise the philosophies and methods of action research as organisational and managerial research and intervention
- **K4.** Discuss the ethical issues in initiating and undertaking an Action Learning or Action Research project

Skills:

- **S1.** Demonstrate the capacity to develop elective contracts for organisational intervention/improvement and managerial learning
- **S2.** Develop superior writing skills up to a standard that facilitates effective presentation of major reports
- **S3.** Review and evaluate current established practices within organisations
- **S4.** Research action learning workplaces

Application of knowledge and skills:

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- A1. Formulate and implement creative solutions to a real work problem
- A2. Apply the principles of action learning to case studies

Course Content:

Topics may include:

- principles of adult and action learning
- the action learning set
- action research as social intervention
- action learning and action research strategies
- action learning and action research methodologies
- proposal and dissertation writing

Values and Graduate Attributes:

Values:

- V1. Value a range of methods of enquiry
- **V2.** Value the role of action learning and methodology research and the contribution that research makes to innovation in business practice;
- V3. Advocate the role that research can play in improving organisational effectiveness; and
- **V4.** Appreciate the need for ethical approaches to research.

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Task	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1,K2,K3 S2,S3,S4 A1	Research and learning experience regarding action learning and action research topics	 Dyad presentation to set Individual skills assessment 	10-20% 10-20%
K4 S1,S3 A1,A2	Analysis of action research case study	Report	30-40%
K1,K2,K4 S2,S3,S4 A1	Development of action learning contracts (operational and learning)	1. Presentation 2. Written contracts	10-20% 20-30%

Adopted Reference Style:

APA