

# **CRO 350**

# **Advanced Croatian I**

S1 Evening 2014

Dept of International Studies

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### **General Information**

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Credit points

3

Prerequisites

6cp at 200 level including CRO255

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

The most significant aim of this unit is to improve students' skills in both written and spoken Croatian. Special emphasis is placed on writing and comprehension and communicative skills.

# Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <a href="https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates">https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates</a>

# **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

Listening skills: Students will work towards understanding extended speech and follow even complex lines of argument even if the topic is not entirely familiar; to understand general spoken language at normal speech rate even if the accent is unfamiliar; to extract specific information and follow the significant points in an oral utterance; to understand relatively long radio talks and interviews; to understand the majority of films in standard dialect.

Reading skills: Students will work towards understanding a wide range of written texts, including longer, more complex factual texts, commentaries and reports; clearly identifying and extracting information from a wide range of sources, including statistical information. Students will have developed strategies to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words from the context; to understand frequently used set expressions.

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### **Assessment Tasks**

Name	Weighting	Due
Assignment 1	5%	28th March 2014
Assignment 2	5%	7th April 2014
Assignment 3	5%	18th April 2014
Assignment 4	5%	28th April 2014
Assignment 5	5%	8th May 2014
Assignment 6	5%	17th May 2014
Assignment 7	5%	26th May 2014
Assignment 8	5%	6th June 2014
Final written exam	40%	June 2014
Oral Examination	20%	By 10th June 2014

# **Assignment 1**

Due: 28th March 2014

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# **Assignment 2**

Due: 7th April 2014

Weighting: 5%

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# **Assignment 3**

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- Writing skills: Students will be able to write a clear, well-structured text, interpreting or expressing points of view at some length; write about increasingly complex subjects; write in a style appropriate to the reader in mind; express and justify opinions and give arguments supporting their point of view; explain and compare ideas presented to them in a text which presents familiar content to them; use appropriate devices to ensure the smooth flow of a piece of writing most of the time; produce a text with few grammatical mistakes that would substantially interfere with the reader's understanding. Students will be working towards expressing themselves clearly and logically in essays on complex issues, choosing the right kind of expression to appeal to the reader.

# Assignment 5

Due: 8th May 2014 Weighting: 5%

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# Assignment 6

Due: 17th May 2014

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# Assignment 7

Due: 26th May 2014

Weighting: 5%

On successful completion you will be able to:

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- Writing skills: Students will be able to write a clear, well-structured text, interpreting or expressing points of view at some length; write about increasingly complex subjects; write in a style appropriate to the reader in mind; express and justify opinions and give arguments supporting their point of view; explain and compare ideas presented to them in a text which presents familiar content to them; use appropriate devices to ensure the smooth flow of a piece of writing most of the time; produce a text with few grammatical mistakes that would substantially interfere with the reader's understanding. Students will be working towards expressing themselves clearly and logically in essays on complex issues, choosing the right kind of expression to appeal to the reader.

# Assignment 8

Due: 6th June 2014

Weighting: 5%

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### Final written exam

Due: June 2014 Weighting: 40%

### **Oral Examination**

Due: By 10th June 2014

Weighting: 20%

Oral examination will be held last week of classes in June 2014.

# **Delivery and Resources**

Unit requirements and expectations

#### a) Assignments

There will be eight assignments in this unit. They should completed and sent in as per due dates.

#### b) Final Written Examination

There will be a written examination at the end of the semester. Students must pass an examination in order to pass the unit. A mark of 50% will be regarded as pass.

#### c) On-campus Session

The on-campus session will be held at Macquarie University on Saturday 3rd May from 9:30 - 4:00 pm (Building W6A, Room 117). You are urged to attend if at all possible. The on-campus session will provide a tutorial on grammar, conversation and reading exercises.

The on-campus session is not compulsory but it is strongly recommended.

#### d) Expected Weekly Workload

(i) Reading aloud and practicing with the recorded material 2 hours

(ii) Doing the exercises in the text book and workbook 2 hours

(iii) Answering questions and writing-up the assignments 2 hours

NOTE: This unit has an online presence in iLearn http://iLearn.mq.edu.au Students require access to a computer and the internet.

# **Unit Schedule**

CRO 350 is offered in the composite mode, i.e. externally and on-campus. On campus classes will be held Thursday evenings 6 - 8 pm. For the venue contact your lecturer on (02) 9870 8507 or email: luka.budak@mq.edu.au

# **Policies and Procedures**

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from <u>Policy Central</u>. Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

Academic Honesty Policy <a href="http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic\_honesty/policy.ht">http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic\_honesty/policy.ht</a> ml

Assessment Policy <a href="http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html">http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html</a>

Grading Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grading/policy.html

Grade Appeal Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/gradeappeal/policy.html

Grievance Management Policy <a href="http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance\_management/policy.html">http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance\_management/policy.html</a>

Disruption to Studies Policy <a href="http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\_studies/policy.html">http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\_studies/policy.html</a> The Disruption to Studies Policy is effective from March 3 2014 and replaces the Special Consideration Policy.

In addition, a number of other policies can be found in the <u>Learning and Teaching Category</u> of Policy Central.

#### Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student\_conduct/

# **Late Assignment Policy - International Studies**

Assignments are compulsory and must be submitted on time. As a general rule, extensions will not be granted without a valid and documented reason (e.g. medical certificate). Late submissions will be penalised by 5% for each day (including weekends) the assignment task is late. No assignments will be accepted after assignments have been corrected and feedback has been provided. Assignment tasks handed in early will not be marked and returned before the due date.

# Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <a href="http://students.mq.edu.au/support/">http://students.mq.edu.au/support/</a>

# **Learning Skills**

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to improve your marks and take control of your study.

- Workshops
- StudyWise
- Academic Integrity Module for Students
- Ask a Learning Adviser

# Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the <u>Disability Service</u> who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

# Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

### IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <a href="http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel">http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel</a>
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When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the <u>Acceptable Use Policy</u>. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

# **Graduate Capabilities**

# Capable of Professional and Personal Judgement and Initiative

We want our graduates to have emotional intelligence and sound interpersonal skills and to demonstrate discernment and common sense in their professional and personal judgement. They will exercise initiative as needed. They will be capable of risk assessment, and be able to handle ambiguity and complexity, enabling them to be adaptable in diverse and changing environments.

This graduate capability is supported by:

#### Assessment tasks

- · Assignment 2
- · Assignment 3
- · Assignment 6
- · Final written exam

# Commitment to Continuous Learning

Our graduates will have enquiring minds and a literate curiosity which will lead them to pursue knowledge for its own sake. They will continue to pursue learning in their careers and as they participate in the world. They will be capable of reflecting on their experiences and relationships with others and the environment, learning from them, and growing - personally, professionally and socially.

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- Assignment 4
- Assignment 5
- Assignment 6
- Assignment 8
- Final written exam

# Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills

Our graduates will take with them the intellectual development, depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content in their chosen fields to make them competent and confident in their subject or profession. They will be able to demonstrate, where relevant, professional technical competence and meet professional standards. They will be able to articulate the structure of knowledge of their discipline, be able to adapt discipline-specific knowledge to novel situations, and be able to contribute from their discipline to inter-disciplinary solutions to problems.

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- Assignment 8
- · Final written exam

# Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

We want our graduates to be capable of reasoning, questioning and analysing, and to integrate and synthesise learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments; to be able to critique constraints, assumptions and limitations; to be able to think independently and systemically in relation to scholarly activity, in the workplace, and in the world. We want them to have a level of scientific and information technology literacy.

This graduate capability is supported by:

### Learning outcome

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### Problem Solving and Research Capability

Our graduates should be capable of researching; of analysing, and interpreting and assessing data and information in various forms; of drawing connections across fields of knowledge; and they should be able to relate their knowledge to complex situations at work or in the world, in order to diagnose and solve problems. We want them to have the confidence to take the initiative in doing so, within an awareness of their own limitations.

This graduate capability is supported by:

#### Assessment tasks

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### Creative and Innovative

Our graduates will also be capable of creative thinking and of creating knowledge. They will be imaginative and open to experience and capable of innovation at work and in the community. We want them to be engaged in applying their critical, creative thinking.

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### **Effective Communication**

We want to develop in our students the ability to communicate and convey their views in forms effective with different audiences. We want our graduates to take with them the capability to read, listen, question, gather and evaluate information resources in a variety of formats, assess, write clearly, speak effectively, and to use visual communication and communication technologies as appropriate.

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### Engaged and Ethical Local and Global citizens

As local citizens our graduates will be aware of indigenous perspectives and of the nation's historical context. They will be engaged with the challenges of contemporary society and with knowledge and ideas. We want our graduates to have respect for diversity, to be open-minded, sensitive to others and inclusive, and to be open to other cultures and perspectives: they should have a level of cultural literacy. Our graduates should be aware of disadvantage and social justice, and be willing to participate to help create a wiser and better society.

This graduate capability is supported by:

#### **Assessment task**

· Final written exam

# Socially and Environmentally Active and Responsible

We want our graduates to be aware of and have respect for self and others; to be able to work with others as a leader and a team player; to have a sense of connectedness with others and country; and to have a sense of mutual obligation. Our graduates should be informed and active participants in moving society towards sustainability.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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# Required and recommended readings

Required and recommended texts

#### Required:

Jasna Barešić: **Dobro došli 2, Udžbenik i rječnik za učenje hrvatskoga jezika za strance** (Zagreb: Školska knjiga, 2007) with a CD;

Jasna Barešić: Dobro došli 2, Gramatika i rješenja zadataka (Zagreb: Školska knjiga, 2007).

#### Recommended:

Vinko Grubišić: Croatian Grammar (Zagreb: Hrvatska sveučilišna naklada & HIŠAK, 2007).

Željko Bujas: **Croatian-English & English-Croatian Dictionary** (Zagreb: Nakladni zavod Globus).

Celia Hawkesworth: Colloquial Croatian (comes with a CD).

Unit webpage

http://www.eurolang.mq.edu.au/units/croatian/CRO350.html