



GEOS813

Geophysics Reading Project

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Dept of Earth and Planetary Sciences

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General Information

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Credit points 4
Prerequisites Permission of Executive Dean of Faculty
Corequisites
Co-badged status
Unit description This unit comprises approved reading projects in advanced topics from different areas of geophysics. A presentation of a seminar and two written reports are required on completion of this project.

Important Academic Dates

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

Learning Outcomes

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

- Competence in accessing, using and synthesising appropriate information
- Application of knowledge to solving problems and evaluating ideas and information
- Capacity to present ideas clearly with supporting evidence

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Due
Entrée	10%	Week 4
Main Course	40%	Week 8
Main Course Seminar	10%	Week 8
Dessert	40%	Week 12

Entrée

Due: **Week 4**

Weighting: **10%**

A maximum 2-page word report, plus any relevant figures, tables and references.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Competence in accessing, using and synthesising appropriate information
- Application of knowledge to solving problems and evaluating ideas and information
- Capacity to present ideas clearly with supporting evidence

Main Course

Due: **Week 8**

Weighting: **40%**

A ~3000 word report, plus any relevant figures and tables.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Competence in accessing, using and synthesising appropriate information
- Application of knowledge to solving problems and evaluating ideas and information
- Capacity to present ideas clearly with supporting evidence

Main Course Seminar

Due: **Week 8**

Weighting: **10%**

Produce a PPT presentation and/or give a seminar based on your report (Main Course).

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Capacity to present ideas clearly with supporting evidence

Dessert

Due: **Week 12**

Weighting: **40%**

A ~3000 word report, plus any relevant figures and tables.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Competence in accessing, using and synthesising appropriate information
- Application of knowledge to solving problems and evaluating ideas and information

- Capacity to present ideas clearly with supporting evidence

Delivery and Resources

There is no textbook for the unit.

The unit also has a WEB site which can be found through the iLearn WEBSITE at <https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/login/MQ/>.

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central](#). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

Academic Honesty Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic_honesty/policy.html

New Assessment Policy in effect from Session 2 2016 http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy_2016.html. For more information visit http://students.mq.edu.au/events/2016/07/19/new_assessment_policy_in_place_from_session_2/

Assessment Policy prior to Session 2 2016 <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html>

Grading Policy prior to Session 2 2016 <http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grading/policy.html>

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

Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/complaint_management/procedure.html

Disruption to Studies Policy http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption_studies/policy.html *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 [Learning and Teaching Category](#) 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/

Results

Results shown in *iLearn*, or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au.

Student Support

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

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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 [Disability Service](#) 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 http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

Graduate Capabilities

PG - Discipline Knowledge and Skills

Our postgraduates will be able to demonstrate a significantly enhanced depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content knowledge in their chosen fields.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

- Competence in accessing, using and synthesising appropriate information
- Application of knowledge to solving problems and evaluating ideas and information

Assessment tasks

- Entrée
- Main Course
- Dessert

PG - Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

Our postgraduates will be capable of utilising and reflecting on prior knowledge and experience, of applying higher level critical thinking skills, and of integrating and synthesising learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments. A characteristic of this form of thinking is the generation of new, professionally oriented knowledge through personal or group-based critique of practice and theory.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

- Competence in accessing, using and synthesising appropriate information
- Application of knowledge to solving problems and evaluating ideas and information

Assessment tasks

- Entrée
- Main Course
- Dessert

PG - Research and Problem Solving Capability

Our postgraduates will be capable of systematic enquiry; able to use research skills to create new knowledge that can be applied to real world issues, or contribute to a field of study or practice to enhance society. They will be capable of creative questioning, problem finding and problem solving.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

- Competence in accessing, using and synthesising appropriate information
- Application of knowledge to solving problems and evaluating ideas and information

Assessment tasks

- Entrée
- Main Course
- Dessert

PG - Effective Communication

Our postgraduates will be able to communicate effectively and convey their views to different social, cultural, and professional audiences. They will be able to use a variety of technologically supported media to communicate with empathy using a range of written, spoken or visual formats.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcome

- Capacity to present ideas clearly with supporting evidence

Assessment tasks

- Entrée
- Main Course
- Main Course Seminar
- Dessert