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General Information

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Credit points
3

Prerequisites
MGK337

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
The aim of this unit is to develop language skills. Students will use their judgement in decision-making around communication tasks, both written and oral, and increase their vocabulary to a sophisticated level. Culture and society are also examined, largely, though not exclusively, through literature. Assessment is by class tests, assignments and a formal examination.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at http://students.mq.edu.au/student_admin/enrolmentguide/academicdates/

Learning Outcomes

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2. To read, listen to, comprehend and discuss a variety of Greek texts.
3. To attain a high level of spoken and written Greek through practice in class and completion of exercises and assignments.
4. To foster research skills.
5. To gain an appreciation of Greek culture and audio-visual material, research and class discussion.
6. To develop a critical consciousness of issues pertinent to Greek identity.
Assessment Tasks

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First minor assignment

Due: **Week 5**
Weighting: **10%**

First minor assignment (600) words written in Greek. Critical analysis of a topic that would give the opportunity to the students to develop experience in writing Greek in an advanced and sophisticated level.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:
- To read, listen to, comprehend and discuss a variety of Greek texts.
- To foster research skills.
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On line discussion in Greek

Due: **Ongoing**
Weighting: **20%**

Online discussion board mainly in Greek for students to develop critical, interpretative and integrated thinking.

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**Oral presentation**

**Due:** Week 12  
**Weighting:** 10%

15-20 minutes oral presentation in order to develop ability to deliver a speech in standard Greek.

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**Major essay**

**Due:** Week 13  
**Weighting:** 20%

Major essay (Greek or English), 1800-2000 written preferably in Greek (or English), for students to develop ability to work independently, initiate in research process and develop an argumentation.

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**Final test**

**Due:** Exam Period  
**Weighting:** 40%

Final, summative test. It examines the material taught through the semester and consolidates the knowledge up to completion of the unit.

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**Delivery and Resources**

**CLASSES**

**Lecture times and locations**

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For current updates, lecture times and classrooms please consult the MQ Timetables website:
http://www.timetables.mq.edu.au

**REQUIRED AND RECOMMENDED TEXTS AND/OR MATERIALS**

Greek Literature and culture texts will be available for reading and discussion on line.

Furthermore, the lecturer will provide a variety of theoretical texts which will be used for discussions. These will be delivered to students in class or will be posted to external students.

Further bibliography for the assignments will be provided in each individual case.

**UNIT WEBPAGE AND TECHNOLOGY USED AND REQUIRED**

**Online Unit**

Login is via: https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/

Is my unit in iLearn?: http://help.ilearn.mq.edu.au/unitonline/ to check when your online unit will become available.

**Technology**

Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient.

- For technical support go to: http://mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/informatics/help
- For student quick guides on the use of iLearn go to: http://mq.edu.au/iLearn/student_info/guides.htm
Unit Schedule
Please refer to your online unit for the unit schedule - ilearn.mq.edu.au

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


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/

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
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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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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**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.

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**Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)**

The unit aims at fostering language skills to level C1, described as follows in the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR): As a proficient user you can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts and recognise implicit meaning; express yourself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions; can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes; produce clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing controlled use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices. Students performing with outstanding performance will attain language skills as described for Level C2 of the Common European Framework: Can understand with
ease virtually everything heard or read. Can summarise information from different spoken and written sources, reconstructing arguments and accounts in a coherent presentation. Can express him/herself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely, differentiating finer shades of meaning even in more complex situations.

Late Assignment Policy

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.