



CAUD811

Audiology Project

FY1 Day 2019

Dept of Linguistics

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General Information

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Credit points

8

Prerequisites

CAUD802 and CAUD803 and CAUD804 and CAUD805 and CAUD806 and CAUD807 and CAUD808 and CAUD819 and GPA of 5.0 (out of 7.0)

Corequisites

Co-badged status

CAUD812

Unit description

This full-year unit provides students enrolled in the Master of Clinical Audiology with an opportunity to undertake a supervised original research project. Students enrolled in this unit will be required to attend the first four lectures of CAUD812 Research Design Skills to assist with the development of their research 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:

to demonstrate the ability to critically evaluate research papers

to demonstrate awareness and understanding of both quantitative and qualitative research methods;

to demonstrate the ability to develop a research proposal in the form of a grant application, incorporating understanding of research methods and appropriate analyses

to demonstrate skills in data collection and analysis and the write up of research for publication in various formats

to demonstrate the ability to present in a professional manner consistent with a

conference presentation

General Assessment Information

NOTE: Due weeks are based on standard university academic calendar weeks.

How to apply for a late submission of an assignment

All requests for special consideration, including extensions, must be submitted via [ASK.mq.edu.au](https://ask.mq.edu.au) and provide suitable supporting documentation

Late Assignment Submission

- Late submissions without an extension will receive a penalty of 5% of the total mark available for the assignment per day
- Late submission of an assignment without an extension will not be permitted after marks have been released to the rest of the class.
- Extensions will only be given in special circumstances, and can be requested by completing the Special Consideration request at ask.mq.edu.au and providing the requisite supporting documentation.
- For more information on Special Consideration, see the university website <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/my-study-program/special-consideration>
- Assignments submitted after the deadline, regardless of the reason, will be marked and returned at a date determined by the unit convenor.

Extensions cannot continue beyond the start of the following semester, and students should be aware that long extensions may impact graduation dates.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Initial Presentation	10%	No	6/05/2019
Literature review	20%	No	20th may, 2019
Research Proposal	10%	No	15th July, 2019
Final Seminar	10%	No	21/10/2019
Final Thesis	50%	No	4/11/2019

Initial Presentation

Due: **6/05/2019**

Weighting: **10%**

A 20 minute presentation to students, academic staff in Audiology and project supervisors. This will provide the audience with an opportunity to understand the aims and hypotheses of the project, background information (such as research conducted by others and how your research is aligned with current theories), how you propose to undertake the research project (methods) and a timeline of what you hope to achieve throughout the year. It will also provide a chance to discuss any possible problems which may occur along the way and how to avoid these or overcome them. You should also include the timeline which you will have presented in your seminar.

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Literature review

Due: **20th may, 2019**

Weighting: **20%**

The research proposal is a written piece of work which defines the research topic and provides an outline of how the research will be undertaken (similar to above). The literature review will provide “an informed critical analysis and discussion of the ideas and debates put forward by other researchers in the same field of research” ... “. The literature review is an important section for readers who may not be familiar with the area you are writing about and also functions to place your study in a context as well as helping to provide a rationale and justification for your study. It should be expressed succinctly and clearly and should help them locate your study within a wider research context and to understand the significance of your research”. (from: Writing Your Dissertation: A Guide, Department of Linguistics, Macquarie University).

The literature review should

- demonstrate that you are aware of the main researchers in the field of the research
- identify the main issues that your field of research currently has and the issue your research would address
- Critical evaluation of the field to justify your aims and hypotheses

On successful completion you will be able to:

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Research Proposal

Due: **15th July, 2019**

Weighting: **10%**

A 10 page write up that shows your research plan. The research proposal's main sections should be

1. **Title page:** title page (see the prototype available on ilearn)
2. **Table of contents:** list of the sections and the page numbers
3. **Introduction:** This should be a short introduction to the research going from general to specific topics. Identify the gap in research that the current research is trying to address; identify the specific aims, research questions and hypotheses
4. **Research Methodology:** this section would include your participants, methods of data collection and data analysis. Include your justification of your choice of participants (including numbers).
5. **Significance:** No more than a couple of paragraphs on significance of the results
6. **References**
7. **Appendixes:** copy of ethics; or any other information that is relevant to the project

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- to demonstrate skills in data collection and analysis and the write up of research for publication in various formats

Final Seminar

Due: **21/10/2019**

Weighting: **10%**

A 20 minute presentation to Audiology staff and students. This provides you with an opportunity to focus on the outcomes of your study, briefly addressing your initial aims and hypotheses. The main focus in this presentation should be your results with discussion and if these were consistent with the hypotheses

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Final Thesis

Due: **4/11/2019**

Weighting: **50%**

This should take the form of a mini thesis / journal article consisting of an abstract, introduction, methods, results, discussion and references. The reference style should be consistent throughout (and you may decide to select a style from the journal which you would like to publish in). The thesis / article will be assessed by two examiners (including research supervisor).

Number of words: 10k

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Delivery and Resources

There will be some face to face tutorials but most will be online lectures

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#) (**Note: The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.**)

Undergraduate students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway \(htt](#)

[ps://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway)). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit [Policy Central \(http://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](http://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/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/study/getting-started/student-conduct>

Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) 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 or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@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](#)
- [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

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@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 - Capable of Professional and Personal Judgment and Initiative

Our postgraduates will demonstrate a high standard of discernment and common sense in their professional and personal judgment. They will have the ability to make informed choices and decisions that reflect both the nature of their professional work and their personal perspectives.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

- to demonstrate skills in data collection and analysis and the write up of research for publication in various formats
- to demonstrate the ability to present in a professional manner consistent with a conference presentation

Assessment tasks

- Literature review
- Research Proposal
- Final Seminar
- Final Thesis

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:

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Assessment tasks

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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.

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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:

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Assessment tasks

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- Literature review
- Research Proposal
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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 outcomes

- to demonstrate the ability to critically evaluate research papers
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- to demonstrate skills in data collection and analysis and the write up of research for publication in various formats
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Assessment tasks

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PG - Engaged and Responsible, Active and Ethical Citizens

Our postgraduates will be ethically aware and capable of confident transformative action in relation to their professional responsibilities and the wider community. They will have a sense of connectedness with others and country and have a sense of mutual obligation. They will be able to appreciate the impact of their professional roles for social justice and inclusion related to national and global issues

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcome

- to demonstrate the ability to present in a professional manner consistent with a conference presentation

Assessment tasks

- Research Proposal
- Final Thesis