



# MMBA8070

## Organisational Behaviour

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*Department of Management*

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#### **Notice**

As part of [Phase 3 of our return to campus plan](#), most units will now run tutorials, seminars and other small group learning activities on campus for the second half-year, while keeping an online version available for those students unable to return or those who choose to continue their studies online.

To check the availability of face-to-face and online activities for your unit, please go to [timetable viewer](#). To check detailed information on unit assessments visit your unit's iLearn space or consult your unit convenor.

## General Information

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

(Admission to MBA or PGDipMgt or GradDipMgt or GradCertMgt or MSusDev or MSocEntre) or (admission to MAppFin or MAppFin(Adv) and (AFCP801 or AFCP8001))

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

Organisational Behaviour (OB) is a multi-disciplinary field that uses insights from psychology, anthropology, philosophy and sociology to study human behaviour in organisational settings. In this unit, students critically examine insights into human behaviour to better manage and improve organisational performance and capability, with an emphasis on ethical management and a global mindset. The unit covers the micro, meso and marco perspectives of OB as well as contemporary issues in OB.

## 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:

**ULO1:** Identify and describe theories and frameworks and research findings in Organisational Behaviour (OB).

**ULO2:** Critically reflect on and practically apply contingent perspectives of OB theoretical frameworks in exploring organisational problems and phenomena.

**ULO3:** Communicate from a range of perspectives to influence others, both as an individual and as a team.

## General Assessment Information

### Late Assessment Policy:

Late assessment submissions must be submitted through the appropriate submission link in [iLearn](#). No extensions will be granted unless an application for [Special Consideration](#) is made and approved. There will be a **deduction of 10%** of the total available marks made from the total awarded mark for each **24-hour period** or part thereof that the submission is late. Late submissions will not be accepted after solutions have been discussed and/or made available.

*Note: applications for [Special Consideration Policy](#) must be made within 5 (five) business days of the due date and time.*

## Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
<a href="#">OB – Theory and Practice</a>	20%	No	End of Week 6
<a href="#">OB – Analysis and Presentation</a>	50%	No	TBA in first lecture
<a href="#">OB – Teamwork and Reflection</a>	30%	No	End of Week 10

### OB – Theory and Practice

Assessment Type [1](#): Reflective Writing

Indicative Time on Task [2](#): 10 hours

Due: **End of Week 6**

Weighting: **20%**

This assessment focuses on early unit content. Students will write 1,500 words on OB theories and how they believe they have been knowingly and/or unknowingly impacted.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Identify and describe theories and frameworks and research findings in Organisational Behaviour (OB).

### OB – Analysis and Presentation

Assessment Type [1](#): Qualitative analysis task

Indicative Time on Task [2](#): 30 hours

Due: **TBA in first lecture**

Weighting: **50%**

Students will use their knowledge of OB theory and frameworks in the context of a current issue.

A set of questions that relate to topics and/or key themes need to be addressed. Whilst students work in a group, parts of this task are assessed individually. Each student will make an oral presentation as part of a group, of up to 25 minutes per group. This will form a group mark of 20%. The remaining 30% of the marks will be derived from the individual written submission.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Identify and describe theories and frameworks and research findings in Organisational Behaviour (OB).
- Critically reflect on and practically apply contingent perspectives of OB theoretical frameworks in exploring organisational problems and phenomena.
- Communicate from a range of perspectives to influence others, both as an individual and as a team.

## OB – Teamwork and Reflection

Assessment Type <sup>1</sup>: Reflective Writing

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 15 hours

Due: **End of Week 10**

Weighting: **30%**

This task requires the students to look back on both their first reflective piece and their teamwork experiences. Students will submit up to 2,000 words on specified topics and/or issues. Due at the end of the unit.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Critically reflect on and practically apply contingent perspectives of OB theoretical frameworks in exploring organisational problems and phenomena.
- Communicate from a range of perspectives to influence others, both as an individual and as a team.

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<sup>1</sup> If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- the [Writing Centre](#) for academic skills support.

<sup>2</sup> Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

## Delivery and Resources

<b>Prescribed Textbook</b>	McShane, S., Olekalns, M., Newman, A. & Travaglione, T., <i>Organisational Behaviour Emerging Knowledge Global Insights with Connect access</i> , 6th Edition, McGraw-Hill, 2018, ISBN: 9781760423391
<b>Unit Web Page</b>	The web page for this unit can be found at: <a href="https://ilearn.mq.edu.au">https://ilearn.mq.edu.au</a>
<b>Technology Used and Required</b>	Students are required to have access to a personal computer and familiarise themselves with iLearn ( <a href="https://ilearn.mq.edu.au">https://ilearn.mq.edu.au</a> ).  iLearn will be used to post lecture slides, assessment details, student grades and as a means of communication between staff members and students.
<b>Delivery Format and Other Details</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number and length of classes: <b>One four-hour seminar class per week</b> unless indicated otherwise in the lecture schedule. Classes may vary due to public holiday(s)</li> <li>The timetable for classes can be found on the University web site at: <a href="http://www.timetables.mq.edu.au/">http://www.timetables.mq.edu.au/</a></li> </ul>
<b>Recommended Readings</b>	Recommended Readings are provided via the links on the <a href="#">iLearn</a> Unit page
<b>Inherent Requirements</b>	None

## Unit Schedule

Please see iLearn.

## 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.*)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway \(https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway\)](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](http://ask.mq.edu.au) or if you are a Global MBA student contact [globalmba.support@mq.edu.au](mailto: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](http://mq.edu.au/learningskills)) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

## 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](http://ask.mq.edu.au)

If you are a Global MBA student contact [globalmba.support@mq.edu.au](mailto:globalmba.support@mq.edu.au)

## IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit [http://www.mq.edu.au/about\\_us/](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.