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Guitar Studies

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Department of Media, Music, Communication and Cultural Studies

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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

Unit convenor and teaching staff

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

40cp at 1000 level or above

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

The guitar is an integral instrument within many genres of popular music in the 20th and 21st centuries. This unit introduces students to fundamental guitar playing techniques in particular styles. Through hands-on practical workshops, students will develop musicianship and performance skills, as well as relevant contextual and historical knowledge of the guitar as instrument. No prior knowledge of guitar is required.

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: evaluate historical, social and technical knowledge of the guitar in a personal approach to learning the instrument.

ULO2: participate, evaluate and gain a practical understanding of the role of the contemporary guitarist as soloist and in an ensemble.

ULO3: communicate personal playing skills through selection, rehearsal and performance of appropriate repertoire.

ULO4: demonstrate an understanding of relevant music theory for guitar playing.

Assessment Tasks

| Name | Weighting | Hurdle | Due |
|---|-----------|--------|---------------------|
| <u>Theory, context and listening quizzes and activities</u> | 50% | No | Weeks 3,5,7,9,11 |
| <u>Practical guitar playing exercises submitted as recordings</u> | 50% | No | Weeks 5, 8, 13 |

Theory, context and listening quizzes and activities

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 30 hours

Due: **Weeks 3,5,7,9,11**

Weighting: **50%**

A series of quizzes and online iLearn based activities will be presented throughout the semester testing knowledge of essential theory, history, listening to suggested repertoire and engagement with fundamental guitar related knowledge presented in the lecture material. Refer to iLearn for further information.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of relevant music theory for guitar playing.

Practical guitar playing exercises submitted as recordings

Assessment Type ¹: Practice-based task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 50 hours

Due: **Weeks 5, 8, 13**

Weighting: **50%**

Assessed continuously through performance of technical exercises, tablature reading, pieces and extracts set in class. These exercises and pieces will be provided by tutors at least two weeks in advance to allow for practice and preparation. Students will video record themselves performing short tasks on the guitar, then submit them online for assessment. Refer to iLearn for further information.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- evaluate historical, social and technical knowledge of the guitar in a personal approach to learning the instrument.
 - participate, evaluate and gain a practical understanding of the role of the contemporary guitarist as soloist and in an ensemble.
 - communicate personal playing skills through selection, rehearsal and performance of appropriate repertoire.
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¹ 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.

² 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

Online lecture content starts in Week 1.

Tutorials (for which you will need to bring a guitar) begin in week 2

Refer to iLearn site for current information.

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 or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Late Assignment Submission

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – two (2) marks out of 100 will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) no assignment will be accepted more than seven (7) days (including weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests

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 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

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.