



PSYC8991

Clinical Psychology Research Dissertation Part 1

Session 1, Weekday attendance, North Ryde 2021

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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 activities on campus, and most will keep an online version available to those students unable to return or those who choose to continue their studies online.

To check the availability of face-to-face 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

PSYC990 or PSYC8990

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit covers the completion of the Literature Review, the first draft of which was completed in PSYC8990. Under the direct supervision of their Research supervisor (appointed in PSYC8990), students will be required to complete and submit the final draft of their Literature Review in the format of a journal paper.

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: Synthesise and critically evaluate current theories and/or empirical studies for a particular population/topic relevant to clinical psychology which will form the main aim of the literature review paper.

ULO2: Formulate relevant theoretical and clinical implications as well as future research directions in concluding the paper.

ULO3: Compose the literature review in a journal format, ensuring the paper is focused and within the word limit of 5000 and up to 8000 words maximum, and adhering to APA journal and referencing formatting.

General Assessment Information

See links to the Assessment Policy and the Special Consideration Policy in the Policies and

Procedures section of this Unit Guide.

Late submissions: The literature review has a strict due date. Ordinarily, no extensions of time for submission of assessment tasks will be granted. If students experience unexpected, unavoidable, and serious circumstances affecting submission of assessable work they may lodge an application for Special Consideration via ask.mq.edu.au with supporting documentary evidence. Special Consideration will only be considered for unexpected events arising from the start of Session 1 (Week 1 onwards). All requests for special consideration must be made no later than five working days after the due date of the assessment task. Where special consideration has not been granted, late submissions will not be accepted. Assessment Rubric will be available on ILearn PSYC8991 Unit page from Week 1 of Session 1, 2021.

For any late submissions without special consideration approval, a penalty of 2 marks per day late will be incurred and subtracted from the final mark.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Literature Review Paper	100%	Yes	Week 13: Wednesday 2nd June 2021 by 6pm

Literature Review Paper

Assessment Type ¹: Thesis

Indicative Time on Task ²: 80 hours

Due: **Week 13: Wednesday 2nd June 2021 by 6pm**

Weighting: **100%**

This is a hurdle assessment task (see [assessment policy](#) for more information on hurdle assessment tasks)

Submit a literature review paper (between 5000 to 8000 words) presented in journal format which focuses on a clinical psychology relevant topic area.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Synthesise and critically evaluate current theories and/or empirical studies for a particular population/topic relevant to clinical psychology which will form the main aim of the literature review paper.
- Formulate relevant theoretical and clinical implications as well as future research directions in concluding the paper.
- Compose the literature review in a journal format, ensuring the paper is focused and within the word limit of 5000 and up to 8000 words maximum, and adhering to APA journal and referencing formatting.

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

There are no scheduled classes for PSYC8991.

Students are expected to be in regular contact with their research supervisor throughout Session 1. Contact may include face to face meetings, emails and teleconferencing (e.g., Zoom). Students are encouraged to carefully consider and discuss draft reviews with their supervisor well before the due date.

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central](https://policies.mq.edu.au) (<https://policies.mq.edu.au>). 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](#)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit [Student Policies](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/policies) (<https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/policies>). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit [Policy Central](https://policies.mq.edu.au) (<https://policies.mq.edu.au>) and use the [search tool](#).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/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 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.