APPL8220

Practicum in TESOL

Session 1, Weekday attendance, On location at placement 2021

Department of Linguistics

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Disclaimer

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

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Credit points
10

Prerequisites
Admission to GradCertTESOL or MAppLingTESOL or MTransInterMAppLingTESOL

Corequisites
(APPL6000 or APPL600) and (APPL6010 or APPL601) and (APPL8200 or APPL920)

Co-badged status

Unit description
This unit is offered on a pass/fail basis.This unit is centred on TESOL classroom practice. It is a practical application of the content of APPL8200, APPL6000 and APPL6010. It involves learners completing classroom observation tasks, supervised practice teaching, lesson and materials preparation, reflective teaching activities, and preparation of a teaching portfolio. The majority of time is spent on site at a language teaching institution.

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: Reflect upon observations of language lessons taught by others and identify the main elements that enabled and inhibited successful teaching/learning to be achieved

ULO2: Conduct an initial needs assessment and create a learner group profile to facilitate the setting of lesson aims and objectives

ULO3: Apply a range of teaching strategies suitable for a particular learner group

ULO4: Plan appropriate language learning activities that support lesson aims and objectives

ULO5: Plan effective lessons in which the development of the four macro skills is taught in an integrated way

ULO6: Create motivating and engaging materials to support language learning activities

ULO7: Reflect upon language lessons they have taught and identify the main elements that enabled and inhibited successful teaching/learning to be achieved

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Preparation Activity	20%	No	Week 7
Observation Tasks 1-8	30%	No	Week 10
Portfolio	50%	No	Week 14

Preparation Activity

Assessment Type [1]: Non-academic writing
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 10 hours
Due: **Week 7**
Weighting: **20%**

These are a series of tasks to be completed on iLearn from Week 1 to Week 7. They require engagement with assigned readings, analysis, evaluation, reflection and personalization of the concepts in focus and application to their own teaching context.

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Observation Tasks 1-8

Assessment Type [1]: Reflective Writing
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 20 hours
Due: **Week 10**
Weighting: **30%**

Observation Tasks fully completed with diagrams, notes taken during observations, questions

answered and reflections included.

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- Apply a range of teaching strategies suitable for a particular learner group
- Plan appropriate language learning activities that support lesson aims and objectives
- Plan effective lessons in which the development of the four macro skills is taught in an integrated way
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Portfolio

Assessment Type [1]: Portfolio
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 25 hours
Due: **Week 14**
Weighting: **50%**

The portfolio is a complete record of the teacher's practicum experiences and includes practicum preparation tasks, fully completed observation tasks, reports on practice teaching sessions, a practice teaching journal, lesson plans and materials, and other artefacts from the practicum.

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- Apply a range of teaching strategies suitable for a particular learner group
- Plan appropriate language learning activities that support lesson aims and objectives
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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

The initial part of the unit is delivered via iLearn and involves students reading, completing tasks, and completing practicum preparation tasks. These are included in the practicum portfolio and may also be discussed online with other students completing their practicum.

The remainder of the unit is carried out in an approved school or college. Students also work from home to complete their portfolio.

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (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). 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) 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

All assessment tasks must be attempted in order to pass the unit.

Requesting an extension to assignment due date

Extensions are only given in special circumstances, by the unit coordinator or the lecturer, either by email before the due date, or by completing a Special Consideration form https://students.mq.edu.au/study/my-study-program/special-consideration

Late submission of assignments

If assignments are submitted after the due date without an approved extension, they are deemed late. Late submissions will receive a 5% per day penalty and will not be marked if more than 2 weeks late. Please contact the Unit Convenor if you have submitted a Special Consideration request for an extension so that your assignment is not marked down for late submission while you are waiting for the outcome.

All 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.

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.

Unit information based on version 2021.02 of the Handbook