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Department of Linguistics

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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

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

Admission to GradCertTESOL or MAppLingTESOL or MTransInterMAppLingTESOL or MAppLing

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit introduces a model of language useful for language teaching contexts in which learners are faced with a variety of language demands. It explores the social and cultural underpinnings of language, introducing key concepts such as: the relations between text and context, language in context, text structure, the multi-functionality of language, clause-level and text-level grammar, spoken and written English, phonology and graphology. There is a strong emphasis on applying these concepts to second and foreign language teaching and learning.

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: Apply the foundation knowledge of linguistics for language teaching to analyse English language learners' language performance.

ULO2: Demonstrate knowledge of the phonology and graphology of English by applying it to English language learning and teaching programs.

ULO3: Recognise and differentiate a range of text types and their linguistic features

through systematic analyses of authentic texts from a range of everyday and English language learning texts.

ULO4: Demonstrate knowledge of the units of grammar of English and the relationship between grammar and vocabulary through a range of text analyses.

ULO5: Recognise and understand the differences between spoken and written language to build students' awareness of appropriate language use in different contexts across different modes of communication.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Language diary	20%	No	22 August
Analysing text-level features	35%	No	10 October
Analysing a learner text	45%	No	7 November

Language diary

Assessment Type ¹: Case study/analysis

Indicative Time on Task ²: 20 hours

Due: **22 August**

Weighting: **20%**

The purpose of this task is: • to consider the relationship between language and the social contexts in which it is used, • to start to identify the kinds of language features that are used in a short, written text and to consider how these relate to the social context and purpose of the text. Length: 2 pages (using a pro forma supplied)

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Apply the foundation knowledge of linguistics for language teaching to analyse English language learners' language performance.
- Recognise and differentiate a range of text types and their linguistic features through systematic analyses of authentic texts from a range of everyday and English language learning texts.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the units of grammar of English and the relationship between grammar and vocabulary through a range of text analyses.
- Recognise and understand the differences between spoken and written language to build students' awareness of appropriate language use in different contexts across different modes of communication.

Analysing text-level features

Assessment Type ¹: Qualitative analysis task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 40 hours

Due: **10 October**

Weighting: **35%**

For this task, you will analyse two texts for their overall social purpose, their rhetorical staging, the genre and text types, as well as the language used to realise Field and Tenor. This task requires you to use the grammar that has been covered in Topics 6, 7 and 8. The first text is the transcript of a dialogue taken from a course book from AMES. For this text, identify the main “chunk” that constitutes a spoken genre. The second text is a letter from a school principal to parents. Length: 4-5 pages using a proforma table supplied)

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Apply the foundation knowledge of linguistics for language teaching to analyse English language learners’ language performance.
- Recognise and differentiate a range of text types and their linguistic features through systematic analyses of authentic texts from a range of everyday and English language learning texts.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the units of grammar of English and the relationship between grammar and vocabulary through a range of text analyses.
- Recognise and understand the differences between spoken and written language to build students’ awareness of appropriate language use in different contexts across different modes of communication.

Analysing a learner text

Assessment Type ¹: Report

Indicative Time on Task ²: 40 hours

Due: **7 November**

Weighting: **45%**

This final task requires you to analyse in more detail the linguistic features of a text in relation to its social context and purpose, and then consider what areas of language would best be focused on for this learner. For this task you will analyse a learner text written by a language student in the classroom. Chose ONE text to analyse. One is a younger learner (primary school age) and one is an adult learner (adult migrant). Length: 2,000 words

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Apply the foundation knowledge of linguistics for language teaching to analyse English language learners’ language performance.

- Demonstrate knowledge of the phonology and graphology of English by applying it to English language learning and teaching programs.
- Recognise and differentiate a range of text types and their linguistic features through systematic analyses of authentic texts from a range of everyday and English language learning texts.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the units of grammar of English and the relationship between grammar and vocabulary through a range of text analyses.
- Recognise and understand the differences between spoken and written language to build students' awareness of appropriate language use in different contexts across different modes of communication.

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

In the case of on campus classes being suspended due to COVID 19, online seminars using teleconferencing (e.g. Zoom) will run at the usual class time and day.

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/.

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