



HSYP8211

Professional Practice

Session 2, Special circumstances, On location at placement 2021

Medicine, Health and Human Sciences Faculty level units

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Session 2 Learning and Teaching Update

The decision has been made to conduct study online for the remainder of Session 2 for all units WITHOUT mandatory on-campus learning activities. Exams for Session 2 will also be online where possible to do so.

This is due to the extension of the lockdown orders and to provide certainty around arrangements for the remainder of Session 2. We hope to return to campus beyond Session 2 as soon as it is safe and appropriate to do so.

Some classes/teaching activities cannot be moved online and must be taught on campus. You should already know if you are in one of these classes/teaching activities and your unit convenor will provide you with more information via iLearn. If you want to confirm, see the list of [units with mandatory on-campus classes/teaching activities](#).

Visit the [MQ COVID-19 information page](#) for more detail.

General Information

Unit convenor and teaching staff

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Credit points

30

Prerequisites

Permission by special approval

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit is offered on a pass/fail basis.

This unit provides MPH students with an opportunity to gain experience in the Public Health workplace. By undertaking this placement you will have the opportunity to contribute to real-world initiatives in areas as diverse as policy, research, health promotion, and advocacy. Tasks may involve ethics submissions, program development, program evaluation, literature reviews, and stakeholder engagement. You will have the opportunity to discuss and plan your placement with MQ staff and workplace supervisors. Placement will consist of approximately 10 weeks of full-time work.

Tasks and learning outcomes for this unit are integrated with those for the Professional Practice Capstone HSY8210.

Entry to this unit is by application. Students intending to enroll in the unit should consult with the Unit Convenor.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://students.mq.edu.au/important-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Demonstrate the ability to work effectively in the partner organisation.

ULO2: Demonstrate the understanding of the requirements for developing a workplan related to public health professional practice.

ULO3: Communicate effectively with public health professionals.

ULO4: Critically evaluate ability to effectively work within a public health organisation

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Placement work plan	20%	No	Week 4
Placement portfolio	40%	No	Week 10
Supervisors Report	40%	No	Week 13

Placement work plan

Assessment Type ¹: Plan

Indicative Time on Task ²: 25 hours

Due: **Week 4**

Weighting: **20%**

The work plan will provide the framework for the placement, it is to be written at beginning of the placement in conjunction with the placement supervisor and can be revised over the duration of the placement.

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- Demonstrate the understanding of the requirements for developing a workplan related to public health professional practice.
- Communicate effectively with public health professionals.

Placement portfolio

Assessment Type ¹: Portfolio

Indicative Time on Task ²: 40 hours

Due: **Week 10**

Weighting: **40%**

This assessment will focus on how the student engaged within the organisation and lessons learned. This includes weekly reporting on engagement with the work place including discussions regarding skills development, challenges faced and overcome, and a summary of the main accomplishments and key learnings and reflections.

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Supervisors Report

Assessment Type ¹: Work-integrated task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 0 hours

Due: **Week 13**

Weighting: **40%**

At the completion of the placement, supervisors will provide a formal assessment of the student's performance against the agreed work plan and learning 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 [Learning Skills Unit](#) 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

Weeks 1 & 2: Macquarie campus (Face-to-face and ONLINE)

Weeks 3-10: placement organisation

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 Enquiry Service

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

Equity 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.

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.