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Indigenous Education

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General Information

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

Admission to BABEd(Prim) or BEd(Prim)BPsych or BABEd(Sec) or BScBEEd(Sec) or BComBEEd(Sec) or BTeach(ECE) and 80cp at 1000 level or above

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit will allow students to develop understanding and knowledge of issues impacting the delivery of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education in Australia. Lectures and tutorials focus on developing students' knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives and issues in education. Students will learn about relevant resources, approaches and policies in Indigenous education as well as an understanding of engaging the Indigenous community.

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: Demonstrate understanding of Indigenous histories and cultures and how this might be taught and applied in an educational setting

ULO2: Explain the strategies to teach Indigenous education and engage Indigenous students in the classroom

ULO3: Understand the different resources, approaches and contacts to engage the Indigenous community as well as a general awareness of policies and general practices in Indigenous education

ULO4: Apply knowledge and understanding of Indigenous knowledge and culture in the classroom and in teachings

General Assessment Information

Assessment Presentation and Submission Guidelines

Please follow these guidelines when you submit each assignment:

- Allow a left and right-hand margin of at least 2cm in all assignments.
- Please type all assignments using 12-point font and 1.5 spacing.
- All assessments must be submitted through Turnitin in .doc or .pdf format
- It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that all assessments are successfully submitted through Turnitin.
- Faculty assignment cover sheets are NOT required. Draft Submissions & Turnitin Originality Reports
- Students may use Turnitin's Originality Report as a learning tool to improve their academic writing if this option is made available in the unit.
- Students are strongly encouraged to upload a draft copy of each assessment to Turnitin at least one week prior to the due date to obtain an Originality Report.
- The Originality Report provides students with a similarity index that may indicate if plagiarism has occurred. Students will be able to make amendments to their drafts prior to their final submission on the due date.
- Generally, one Originality Report is generated every 24 hours up to the due date. Please note:
- Students should regularly save a copy of all assignments before submission,
- Students are responsible for checking that their submission has been successful and has been submitted by the due date and time. Assignment extensions and late penalties
- In general, there should be no need for extensions except through illness or misadventure that would be categorised as serious and unavoidable disruption according to the University definition of same, see: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/my-study-program/special-consideration>
- Applications for extensions must be made via AskMQ according to the Special Consideration policy. Extensions can only be granted if they meet the Special Considerations policy and are submitted via <https://ask.mq.edu.au/>. This will ensure consistency in the consideration of such requests is maintained.

Late submissions:

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for

lateness will apply - 10/100 marks of credit (10% of the total assessment weighting) will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) no assignment will be accepted seven days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessment - e.g. quizzes, online tests. A zero result for the assignment will be recorded after the late submission period has ended if no task has been received.

- If a student is still permitted to submit on the basis of unavoidable disruption, an alternative topic may be set.
- Students should keep an electronic file of all assessments. Claims regarding "lost" assessments cannot be made if the file cannot be produced. It is also advisable to keep an electronic file of all drafts and the final submission on a USB untouched/unopened after submission. This can be used to demonstrate easily that the assessment has not been amended after the submission date.

Requesting a re-assessment of an assignment

If you have evidence that your task has been incorrectly assessed against the grade descriptors you can request a re-mark. To request a re-mark you need to contact the unit convenor within 7 days of the date of return of the assignment and provide a detailed assessment of your script against the task criteria. Evidence from your assignment must be provided to support your judgements. Note:

- Please do not request a re-mark for a Failed assessment as they are all doublemarked as a part of the moderation process.
- The outcome of a re-mark may be a higher/lower or unchanged grade.
- Grades are standards referenced and effort is NOT a criterion.

University policy on grading Criteria for awarding grades for assessment tasks Assignments will be awarded grades ranging from HD to F according to guidelines set out in the University's Grading Policy. The following descriptive criteria are included for your information. Descriptive Criteria for awarding grades in the unit In order to meet the unit outcomes and successfully pass this unit, students must make a genuine attempt at all assessment tasks. Where any submitted assessment task is considered to be unsatisfactory in this regard, the highest possible final grade that can be awarded for the unit will be 45.

Students will be awarded grades ranging from HD to F according to guidelines set out in the policy: <https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policies/assessment-in-effect-from-session-2-2016> The following generic grade descriptors provide university-wide standards for awarding final grades.

Grade	Descriptor
HD (High Distinction)	Provides consistent evidence of deep and critical understanding in relation to the learning outcomes. There is substantial originality and insight in identifying, generating and communicating competing arguments, perspectives or problem solving approaches; critical evaluation of problems, their solutions and their implications; creativity in application as appropriate to the discipline.

D (Distinction)	Provides evidence of integration and evaluation of critical ideas, principles and theories, distinctive insight and ability in applying relevant skills and concepts in relation to learning outcomes. There is demonstration of frequent originality in defining and analysing issues or problems and providing solutions; and the use of means of communication appropriate to the discipline and the audience.
Cr (Credit)	Provides evidence of learning that goes beyond replication of content knowledge or skills relevant to the learning outcomes. There is demonstration of substantial understanding of fundamental concepts in the field of study and the ability to apply these concepts in a variety of contexts; convincing argumentation with appropriate coherent justification; communication of ideas fluently and clearly in terms of the conventions of the discipline.
P (Pass).	Provides sufficient evidence of the achievement of learning outcomes. There is demonstration of understanding and application of fundamental concepts of the field of study; routine argumentation with acceptable justification; communication of information and ideas adequately in terms of the conventions of the discipline. The learning attainment is considered satisfactory or adequate or competent or capable in relation to the specified outcomes
F (Fail)	Does not provide evidence of attainment of learning outcomes. There is missing or partial or superficial or faulty understanding and application of the fundamental concepts in the field of study; missing, undeveloped, inappropriate or confusing argumentation; incomplete, confusing or lacking communication of ideas in ways that give little attention to the conventions of the discipline.

Note: If you fail a unit with a professional experience component, the fail grade will be on your transcript irrespective of the timing of the placement.

Withdrawing from this unit

If you are considering withdrawing from this unit, please seek academic advice via <https://ask.mq.edu.au> before doing so as this unit may be a co-requisite or prerequisite for units in the following sessions and may impact on your progression through the degree.

Results Results shown in iLearn, 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.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Video Presentation or short essay	50%	No	Friday 22/04/2022. 2359hrs
Indigenous Teaching Plan	50%	No	Friday 27/05/2022. 2359hrs

Video Presentation or short essay

Assessment Type ¹: Presentation

Indicative Time on Task ²: 30.5 hours

Due: **Friday 22/04/2022. 2359hrs**

Weighting: **50%**

Create a video or write a short essay on the histories, cultural knowledge and people of the local Indigenous community. You may want to visit historic sites, cultural centres or other places of Indigenous significance to create your video or write your essay (2000 words).

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate understanding of Indigenous histories and cultures and how this might be taught and applied in an educational setting

Indigenous Teaching Plan

Assessment Type ¹: Plan

Indicative Time on Task ²: 30.5 hours

Due: **Friday 27/05/2022. 2359hrs**

Weighting: **50%**

Create a document outlining the actions, strategies and plans you would put in place to engage Indigenous students and the wider Indigenous community with respect to education. The plan must also include references to relevant Indigenous education policies as well as how you might leverage different resources and engage different support organisations (1500 words).

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate understanding of Indigenous histories and cultures and how this might be taught and applied in an educational setting
- Explain the strategies to teach Indigenous education and engage Indigenous students in the classroom
- Understand the different resources, approaches and contacts to engage the Indigenous community as well as a general awareness of policies and general practices in Indigenous education
- Apply knowledge and understanding of Indigenous knowledge and culture in the classroom and in teachings

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

UNIT STRUCTURE This unit comprises (i) weekly one-hour lectures and (ii) weekly two-hours tutorials. In the tutorial students will discuss issues and questions arising from the lectures and prescribed readings. They are expected to base their arguments/discussions on evidence from published research and other relevant material. There will be a supporting website for the unit providing additional readings, links and materials. Weekly lectures are available in iLearn in advance of the week. You must listen to all lectures. Students are required to participate in small group activities, whole class discussion, to read the weekly material in advance, and to complete brief tasks either as individuals or in pairs. The weekly program for the course with the accompanying readings/ preparation is available on the following pages or on the unit iLearn site.

Attendance for undergraduate units Activities completed during weekly tutorials (internal) or on campus days (external) are essential for building the core knowledge and/or skills required to demonstrate the learning outcomes of this unit [and to meet the AITSL Graduate Teacher Standards and/or ACECQA requirements]. Attendance at all tutorials or on campus days is expected and the roll will be taken.

Students are required to attend the tutorial in which they are enrolled. Any changes to tutorial enrolments must be completed officially through e-student. Please do not contact the unit convenor requesting a change.

Required and recommended texts

Weekly readings can be found in iLearn relating to weekly topics. These are required readings and expected to have been read in preparation for weekly tasks presented within tutorials.

Weekly assigned readings will be accessible online via Leganto and on iLearn. Students are expected to keep up with weekly readings. Library texts and resources are online and in reserve through MQU Library

Information about the unit iLearn site

This unit has a full web presence through *iLearn*.

Students will need regular access to a computer and the Internet to complete this unit.

Weekly access to iLearn is compulsory for all students. Important assessment information will be posted here, as will other relevant unit notices and materials, including a reading template and guide to lecture note taking to assist your studies.

Various activities and materials for discussion and critical reflection are included and external students especially are encouraged to use this web component. Electronic links and suggested references will be included in the Resources section. Please check the iLearn unit regularly.

Weekly lectures are available on the web through the ECHO360 lecture component. You must listen to all lectures if you do not attend these 'live'.

PowerPoint slides are available in iLearn in advance of the weekly lecture and/or are available in the Active Learning Tool.

Access and technical assistance

Information for students about access to the online component of this unit is available at <https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/login/index.php>. You will need to enter your student username and password.

Please do **NOT** contact the Unit Convenor regarding *iLearn* technical help.

No extensions will be given for any technical issues. Allow enough time for your submissions.

Assistance is available from IT Helpdesk ph: 1800 67 4357, or log a request at help.mq.edu.au. OneHelp is the online IT support service for both students and staff.

This unit requires students to use several ICT and software skills:

- **Internet access:** The iLearn site contains materials for this unit; it is also required for the online submission of all Assessment Tasks, and for the use of Turnitin submission for ALL tasks.
- **Word processing, visual representations, and document formatting:** You are required to use an appropriate form of software to present your assignments.
- **Uploading** of assessment tasks to **iLearn**.

Structure

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Students are required to participate in small group activities, whole class discussion, to read the weekly material in advance, and to complete brief tasks either as individuals or in pairs. The weekly program for the course with the accompanying readings/ preparation is available on the following pages or on the unit iLearn site.

The 5Rs Framework – attributes and capabilities for success

Within this unit aspects of the Macquarie's 5R's framework will be embedded across this unit as noted below:

1. Resilient - examining co-existence history within Australia and building in-depth understanding to support Aboriginal students and build personal resilience
2. Reflexive in their teaching practice - gaining understanding of supporting student diversity and effective culturally responsive teaching
3. Responsive to children, colleagues, parents, professionals and communities - building an understanding of the importance of working with students and community to engage cultural

understandings in schools and support disempowered student populations.

4. Ready to learn - understanding of the significance of reflexive learning for students and teachers in collaborative learning spaces

5. Research engaged - examining that knowledge can be presented and reviewed across multiple positions and perspectives

We believe that our 5Rs framework, when consciously adopted and continuously developed, leads to high quality outcomes for both teachers and students. We make a conscious effort to equip you, our Teacher Education Students, with the tools you need to thrive so you can inspire our great minds of tomorrow.

Unit Schedule

Module	Week	Topic	Reading
1	1 21/ 02/22	Introduction and why understanding Aboriginal society is important to teaching	Peter J. Anderson, Sun Yee Yip & Zane M. Diamond (2022): Getting schools ready for Indigenous achievement: a meta-synthesis of the issues and challenges in Australian schools, <i>International Education</i> , DOI: 10.1080/09620214.2021.2025142 Bishop, M. (2020). 'I spoke about Dreamtime, I ticked a box': teachers say they lack confidence perspectives. <i>The Conversation. Academic rigour, journalistic flair.</i> . https://theconversation.com/dreamtime-i-ticked-a-box-teachers-say-they-lack-confidence-to-teach-indigenous-perspectives
	2 28/ 02/22	Co-existence histories between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal societies	Parbury, N. (2011). A history of Aboriginal education. <i>Teaching Aboriginal studies: a practical secondary teaching</i> . R. Craven. Crows Nest, NSW, Allen & Unwin: 132-152.
2	3 07/ 03/22	Aboriginal pedagogical practices	Burgess, C., et al. (2019). "A systematic review of pedagogies that support, engage and improve the learning outcomes of Aboriginal students." <i>the Australian Educational Researcher</i> 46(2): 297–318.
	4 14/ 03/22	Engaging the Aboriginal community and Aboriginal education workers	NSW Board of Studies (2008). <i>Working with Aboriginal Communities: A Guide to Community Engagement</i> . Sydney, NSW, NSW Board of Studies. Lowe K, 2017, 'Walanbaa warramildanha: The impact of authentic Aboriginal community and teachers' professional knowledge', <i>The Australian Educational Researcher</i> , vol. 44, pp. 35-47. https://doi.org/10.1080/001313384-017-0229-8
3	5 21/ 03/22	Understanding the NSW DET Aboriginal Education Policy	NSW Department of Education & Training (2008). Aboriginal Education and Training Policy. Department of Education & Training. Sydney, NSW, NSW Department of Education & Training. nsw.gov.au/policy-library/associated-documents/aetp_turning.pdf Hogarth, M. (2017). "The Power of Words: Bias and Assumptions in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Action Plan." <i>the Australian Journal of Indigenous Education</i> 46(1): 44-53.
	6 28/ 03/22	What does pedagogical theory look like in a classroom	Donovan, M. J. (2015). "Aboriginal student stories, the missing voice to guide us towards a more equitable education." <i>Educational Researcher</i> 42(5): 613-625.

	7 04/ 04/22	Embedding Aboriginal understandings within your curriculum	Bishop, M. (2020). Indigenous education sovereignty: another way of 'doing' education. <i>Critical Education</i> . https://doi.org/10.1080/17508487.2020.1848895
		Mid-Semester Break	11/04/22 – 22/04/22
4	8 26/ 04/22	Literacy and numeracy, examining resources and working with Aboriginal students	Rose, D. (2016). Teaching reading and writing with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. In <i>Learning and Teaching in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education</i> , edited by N. Harrison and J. Sherwood. South Melbourne, VIC, Oxford University Press. Matthews, C. (2015). Maths as storytelling: Maths is beautiful. In <i>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education: An introduction for the teaching profession</i> . Edited by K. Price, Melbourne, VIC, Cambridge University Press.
	9 02/ 05/22	Examining racism, cultural- biases and the importance of a culturally safe classroom	Shay, M. and J. Wilkes (2017). "Aboriginal identity in education settings: privileging our stories and deconstructing the past and re-imagining the future." <i>the Australian Educational Researcher</i>

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](#)
- [Assessment Procedure](#)
- [Complaints Resolution 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

Academic Integrity

At Macquarie, we believe [academic integrity](#) – honesty, respect, trust, responsibility, fairness and courage – is at the core of learning, teaching and research. We recognise that meeting the expectations required to complete your assessments can be challenging. So, we offer you a range of resources and services to help you reach your potential, including free [online writing and maths support](#), [academic skills development](#) and [wellbeing consultations](#).

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

The Writing Centre

[The Writing Centre](#) provides resources to develop your English language proficiency, academic writing, and communication skills.

- [Workshops](#)
- [Chat with a WriteWISE peer writing leader](#)
- [Access StudyWISE](#)
- [Upload an assignment to Studiosity](#)
- [Complete the 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

Macquarie University offers a range of [Student Support Services](#) including:

- [IT Support](#)
- [Accessibility and disability support](#) with study
- Mental health [support](#)
- [Safety support](#) to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- [Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues](#)

Student Enquiries

Got a question? Ask us via [AskMQ](#), or contact [Service Connect](#).

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.

Changes from Previous Offering

Due to accreditation requirements from NESAs minor adjustments have been developed for 2022.

Inclusive and Culturally Appropriate Academic Writing and Communication

Students will need to read and maintain the guideline understandings on Inclusive and Culturally Appropriate Communication in their behaviours within tutorials, discussion boards and academic writing.

Unit Expectations

Essential for success

It is expected that all students will engage fully in this unit. This means the following:

- Students are expected to read weekly readings before completing tasks and attending tutorials
- Students are expected to listen/attend weekly lectures before completing tasks and attending tutorials
- Students are expected to attend and participate in all tutorials or workshops
- Students will complete all assessment tasks

External Students

1. Weekly discussion boards will be developed and presented to infrequent students to maintain equivalent asynchronous tutorial-like discussions.
2. Half-day mid-semester break zoom discussion will be on Thursday 21st April from 0900-1300hrs
3. The mid-semester break discussion is to allow infrequent students access to face-to-face discussions with tutor to discuss any issues or understandings relevant to unit or associated questions.
4. Please make effective use of the online component of the unit and access iLearn regularly. Keep up to date with listening to the lectures on a weekly basis.

Weekly reflective notes

For many students the concepts and standpoints highlighted in the lectures and readings may challenge students views on the Australian education system and histories. Students will be required to maintain a journal where sections will be identified as a criteria of your first assignment task. These journal reflections are a chance for students to reflect on arguments stated from an Indigenous standpoint and how they can be positioned in your future educational journeys.

Changes since First Published

Date	Description
15/02/2022	Changed both dates of assignment for consistency of day submitted