



# ENGX2030

## Literature and the Visual

Session 1, Online-flexible 2022

*Department of Media, Communications, Creative Arts, Language and Literature*

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## General Information

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By Appointment

Credit points

10

Prerequisites

40cp

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit focuses on intersections between literary and visual narratives across a variety of media. Students will analyse traditional literary texts (novels, poetry, short story) alongside graphic novels, television series, films, and video games, to consider the multitude of ways in which visual forms borrow from the literary imagination. The unit will engage with research and scholarship focused on sequential art, serialised television, film studies, and new media theory, while exploring methods of adaptation and transmedia production. Key theoretical and conceptual issues such as narrative methods in poetry, drama, prose, and visual communication and literacy will be examined, along with the role literary and visual narratives play in the public discourse surrounding politics, gender, ethnicity, and the environment.

## 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 a vocabulary for discussing narrative strategies in literary fiction, gaming, graphic novels, film and television

**ULO2:** Demonstrate a knowledge of genres and narrative forms and of the technical resources of different media

**ULO3:** Research and discuss humanist concerns, specifically the role of the past in the present, the nature of human identity, subjectivity and the uses of power, in relation to the set texts

**ULO4:** Analyse the use of the formal resources of different genres, specifically literary fiction, gaming, graphic novels, film and television

**ULO5:** Critically examine the ways in which ideas and speculations about the individual and society have varied between the 17th century and 21st centuries

## General Assessment Information

### LATE SUBMISSION OF ASSESSMENTS

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The Faculty policy in relation to late assessment submissions is as follows:

**Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – 10 marks out of 100 credit 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 assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests, etc.**

To be very clear:

- Unless you have applied for special consideration and had your application approved, for each day your assignment is late, 10 marks will be deducted. For example, if you submit your assignment 7 days late, 70 marks will be deducted, which means you will fail that assignment.
- If your assignment is more than 7 days late (including weekends), you will get 0 marks for your assignment.

These are serious penalties that will substantially alter your final grade and even determine whether you pass or fail this unit. Please make every effort to submit your assignment by the due date.

If you find you cannot submit your assignment on time, please apply for Special Consideration through AskMQ. Make sure you read Macquarie University's policy regarding Special Consideration requests before you apply: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/assessment-exams/special-consideration>

## Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
<a href="#">Online Quiz</a>	15%	No	Q1. 16/3/22-23/3/22 Q2. 27/4/22- 4/5/22 Q3. 18/5/22-25/5/22
<a href="#">Textual Analysis</a>	25%	No	17:00 on 08/04/2022
<a href="#">Online Participation</a>	20%	No	Weekly
<a href="#">Research Essay</a>	40%	No	17:00 on 03/06/2022

### Online Quiz

Assessment Type <sup>1</sup>: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 6 hours

Due: **Q1. 16/3/22-23/3/22 Q2. 27/4/22- 4/5/22 Q3. 18/5/22-25/5/22**

Weighting: **15%**

Students will complete one online quiz in week three, week seven, and week eleven - comprising 10 multiple-choice questions. They will be timed at 10 minutes in duration.

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- Demonstrate a knowledge of genres and narrative forms and of the technical resources of different media
- Analyse the use of the formal resources of different genres, specifically literary fiction, gaming, graphic novels, film and television

### Textual Analysis

Assessment Type <sup>1</sup>: Case study/analysis

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 14 hours

Due: **17:00 on 08/04/2022**

Weighting: **25%**

Textual Analysis Task

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## Online Participation

Assessment Type <sup>1</sup>: Participatory task

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 36 hours

Due: **Weekly**

Weighting: **20%**

Preparation of notes for class relating to set tutorial topics and any addition research.

Participation in online forum activities; answering questions in weekly forums and contributing meaningfully to forum discussion.

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- Critically examine the ways in which ideas and speculations about the individual and society have varied between the 17th century and 21st centuries

## Research Essay

Assessment Type <sup>1</sup>: Essay

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 34 hours

Due: **17:00 on 03/06/2022**

Weighting: **40%**

Research Essay Related to a Set Topic

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> 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

One **lecture** and one weekly online forum participation (**Lectures start week one - forums start in week two**).

For unit readings – see information on page 4 of the unit guide on the iLearn site, and the weekly schedule on page 6 of the unit guide.

Units can be accessed at: <http://www.ilearn.mq.edu.au>

The unit uses the following technology: **Leganto, Echo360, and iLearn**

## 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](http://ask.mq.edu.au) or if you are a Global MBA student contact [globalmba.support@mq.edu.au](mailto: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](#).

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## 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/](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.



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Date	Description
02/02/2022	Time