



# FOAR7010

## Research Theme 5: Evolution of Education

Session 1, Online-scheduled-weekday 2022

*Arts Faculty level units*

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## General Information

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

Admission to MRes

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

Evolution of Education explores the historical, philosophical, sociological and pedagogical context of contemporary educational settings, from birth through to adult education. In particular, this unit examines the different ways that contemporary educational settings, from early childhood to adult education, are evolving as a result of the challenges of our increasingly interconnected, globalised, rapidly changing and complex world. The unit also seeks to identify how educational settings can better meet the needs of 21st Century learners, and support citizens become flexible, creative thinkers, problem solvers and communicators. The subject will be of interest to students from a range of disciplines across the humanities and social sciences.

## 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:** Explain the historical, philosophical, sociological and pedagogical context of contemporary provision of education from birth to adult education.

**ULO2:** Identify and critically reflect on how contemporary provision of education at all

levels can meet the needs of 21st century learners and society

**ULO3:** Investigate and present a topic related to the historical or contemporary provision of education from their chosen discipline area (e.g. history, philosophy, sociology, pedagogy, etc).

**ULO4:** Formulate, research and write a research essay related to historical or contemporary provision of education from their chosen discipline area.

## **General Assessment Information**

There are three (3) assessment tasks in this subject. 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 is 45.

### **Assessment Presentation and Submission Guidelines**

Please follow these guidelines when you submit your 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 the correct file has been uploaded, that their submission has been successful, and that it 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 Assessment Submission Penalty:** Unless a *Special Consideration* request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – 10 marks out of 100 credits 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.
- 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 double-marked 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
<b>HD</b> (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.
<b>D</b> (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.
<b>Cr</b> (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.
<b>P</b> (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
<b>F</b> (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
<a href="#">Research Essay Plan</a>	10%	No	11/3/22
<a href="#">Presentation / participation</a>	30%	No	24/2/22
<a href="#">Research Essay</a>	60%	No	3/6/22

### Research Essay Plan

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

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 10 hours

Due: **11/3/22**

Weighting: **10%**

Students are required to develop a plan for their essay. They will identify their own topic based on their area of interest, formulate an essay question, provide a rationale for their chosen topic, and indicate how they propose to investigate their topic.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Explain the historical, philosophical, sociological and pedagogical context of contemporary provision of education from birth to adult education.
- Identify and critically reflect on how contemporary provision of education at all levels can meet the needs of 21st century learners and society
- Investigate and present a topic related to the historical or contemporary provision of education from their chosen discipline area (e.g. history, philosophy, sociology, pedagogy, etc).
- Formulate, research and write a research essay related to historical or contemporary provision of education from their chosen discipline area.

### Presentation / participation

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

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 30 hours

Due: **24/2/22**

Weighting: **30%**

Students are required to: (i) present their research plan for their essay, and (ii) provide collegial feedback on their peers' presentations.

On successful completion you will be able to:

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- Investigate and present a topic related to the historical or contemporary provision of education from their chosen discipline area (e.g. history, philosophy, sociology, pedagogy, etc).
- Formulate, research and write a research essay related to historical or contemporary provision of education from their chosen discipline area.

## Research Essay

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

Indicative Time on Task <sup>2</sup>: 65 hours

Due: **3/6/22**

Weighting: **60%**

Students will write an essay related to the philosophical, sociological or pedagogical context of historical or contemporary provision of education. Based on their exploration of the topic, students will be required to reflect on how educational settings can better meet the needs of 21st Century learners, and support citizens become flexible, creative thinkers, problem solvers and communicators.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Explain the historical, philosophical, sociological and pedagogical context of contemporary provision of education from birth to adult education.
- Identify and critically reflect on how contemporary provision of education at all levels can meet the needs of 21st century learners and society
- Investigate and present a topic related to the historical or contemporary provision of

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- Formulate, research and write a research essay related to historical or contemporary provision of education from their chosen discipline area.

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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

### Required Texts

There are no required texts for this Unit.

### Delivery

Learning content for this Unit will be delivered in weekly, three hour seminars, by a range of academics who are experts in their field. The format of these seminars will vary. The weekly schedule will be available on i-Learn.

The seminars are intended to promote engagement in scholarly debate and critique about the provision of education (either historical or contemporary) from a range of disciplinary perspectives.

Students are required to participate in these seminars either in person or via Zoom. Links for Zoom will be provided in i-Learn.

Students are expected to actively participate in seminars, read the weekly materials in advance, as well as engage in significant self-guided investigation on a topic of their choosing related to the provision of education from birth to adulthood.

### Access to iLearn and ICT skills

This unit has a full web presence through iLearn. The iLearn page will provide students with additional readings, links and materials.

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

- Students will need regular access to a computer and skills in word processing, visual representations, and document formatting: You are required to use an appropriate form of software to present your assessments.
- Internet access: The iLearn site contains materials for this unit; it is also required for the



online Turnitin submission of Assessment Tasks 1 & 3.

- Weekly access to iLearn is compulsory for all students. Important assessment information will be posted here, as will other relevant unit notices and materials. Various activities and materials for discussion and critical reflection are included and students are encouraged to use electronic links and suggested references. Please check the iLearn unit regularly.
- Information for students about access to the online component of this unit is available at [ilearn.mq.edu.au/login/MQ/](https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/login/MQ/). You will need to enter your student username and password.
- Assistance is available from IT Helpdesk ph: 1800 67 4357, or log a request at [help.mq.edu.au](https://help.mq.edu.au). OneHelp is the online IT support service for students.

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.

## Unit Schedule

A weekly seminar and reading schedule will be provided in i-Learn.

## 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

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## 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/](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.