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Clinic Internship 1
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Department of Chiropractic

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General Information

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Credit points
10

Prerequisites
(CHIR8512 or CHIR8502 or CHIR874) and (CHIR8102 or CHIR92) and (CHIR8514 or CHIR8504 or CHIR919) and (CHIR8402 or CHIR917)

Corequisites
CHIR8103 or CHIR903

Co-badged status

Unit description
This is the first of two practical units in which students attend Macquarie University's Chiropractic and Research Centres as chiropractic interns. In this unit students become responsible for patient management and care under the guidance of the clinic supervisors.

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:

UL01: Demonstrate an ability to take a chiropractic clinical history, perform the relevant physical examination, order any necessary radiographs, refer for any other necessary evaluation in order to provisionally diagnose the patient's condition and carry out safe and effective chiropractic management of a patient (as taught by the Department) within the allocated time. Demonstrate an ability to educate patients in the aims and objectives of the proposed care including a rehabilitation program.

UL02: Demonstrate an ability to educate patients in the aims and objectives of the
proposed care including a rehabilitation program.

**ULO3:** Demonstrate an understanding of effective administrative structures required for the running of a chiropractic clinic.

**ULO4:** Demonstrate accurate and appropriate clinical record keeping skills.

**ULO5:** Demonstrate satisfactory competency in the ongoing assessments and attendance criteria for the clinic internship. Demonstrate ability to meet quotas as determined by the Department with respect to patient consultation requirements as set out in the Council on Chiropractic Education Australasia Inc (CCEA) Standards for First Professional Award Programs in Chiropractic Guidelines (Appendix 1 in Clinic Manual) inclusive of radiography quotas set by the Department with respect to the number of diagnostic radiographs produced and reports written. Demonstrated compliance to all requirements for the unit as described in the Clinic Manual.

**ULO6:** Display sociocultural competency awareness and respect

**ULO7:** Critically analyse ethical and legal issues, chiropractic code of practice and compromising situations.

**ULO8:** Gain an understanding of the occupational health and safety area and how chiropractors work in this field.

### Assessment Tasks

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**Ongoing clinical assessments**

Assessment Type: Clinical performance evaluation

Indicative Time on Task: 10 hours

Due:

Weighting: 20%

The ongoing clinical assessments incorporate the quotas of clinical activities required to fulfil the Council on Chiropractic Education Australasia (CCEA) Standards for First Professional Award Programs in Chiropractic Guidelines.

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Clinical exam DVD format
Assessment Type 1: Clinical performance evaluation
Indicative Time on Task 2: 10 hours
Due:
Weighting: 45%

Clinical Competency standardised case presented in a DVD format to students. Standardised case, including material from WHS, ethics and jurisprudence lectures.

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**Additional clinic requirements**

**Assessment Type**: Clinical performance evaluation

**Indicative Time on Task**: 95 hours

**Due**:  
**Weighting**: 0%

Adequate clinical progression with respect to treatments delivered as deemed satisfactory by the Director of Clinics: 110 treatments, 15 X-rays series (9 series on patients & 6 simulated case mix series), 30 X-ray reports completed.

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Clinical competency on new patient

Assessment Type 1: Clinical performance evaluation
Indicative Time on Task 2: 10 hours
Due:
Weighting: 35%

Full clinical competency assessment is to be undertaken on a patient that is new to the student. The student performance will be assessment and marked by a Clinic Supervisor.

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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.

Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation.

**Policies and Procedures**

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central](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). 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) 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](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 Advocacy provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

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.