

# **ELEC4092**

# Electrical and Electronic Engineering Research Thesis A

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School of Engineering

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# **General Information**

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Credit points 10

Prerequisites (20cp from ELEC3024 or ELEC3042 or ELEC3076) or (ELCT3005 and ELCT3006)

Corequisites ELCT4001 or ELCT4004 or ELEC4250

Co-badged status

Unit description

In this unit students will conduct the first half of an individual research thesis on a topic in the Electrical and Electronic Engineering specialisation under the direction of an academic supervisor. The focus of the work will be on developing the project proposal, conducting the literature review and project planning and design.

Learning in this unit enhances student understanding of global challenges identified by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDGs) Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

## 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:** Analyse a complex Electronics Engineering problem, and propose solutions involving the development of new knowledge or the application of cutting edge techniques.

**ULO2:** Plan a major Electronics Engineering research project, including the design of necessary processes, information management, records keeping, project management, and communications.

**ULO3:** Demonstrate an advanced knowledge of contextual factors, research direction, and foundational concepts in Electronics Engineering.

**ULO4:** Apply core Electronics Engineering principles and practices to a research or industry challenge.

**ULO5:** Demonstrate intellectual independence and an in-depth understanding of a specialist topic within Electronics Engineering, through verbal and written communication.

# **General Assessment Information**

#### Grading and Passing Requirement for the Unit

In order to pass this unit a student must obtain a mark of 50 or more for the unit (i.e. obtain a passing grade P/ CR/ D/ HD).

For further details about grading, please refer below in the policies and procedures section.

#### Late Submissions and Re-submissions

All assessments must be submitted by 23:59pm (Sydney Time) on their due date. Should the activities be missed due to illness or misadventure, students may apply for Special Consideration, as detailed below.

- **Preliminary Thesis Report:** Late submissions are not allowed unless there is an approved special consideration request. Resubmissions are not allowed.
- **Presentation and Oral Examination:** Late submissions are not allowed unless there is an approved special consideration request showing that the student cannot make the presentation on the presentation date. Resubmissions are not allowed.
- Logbooks (Supervisor Management Assessment): Late submissions are not allowed unless there is an approved special consideration request. Resubmissions are not allowed.

#### **Project Implementation**

If your project requires on-campus lab attendance and you are not able to get back to campus on time, please contact with the unit convenor and your supervisor as soon as possible.

# **Assessment Tasks**

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Preliminary Thesis	60%	No	Week 13
Presentation and Oral Examination	30%	No	Week 14-16
Supervisor Management Assessment	10%	No	Week 13

# **Preliminary Thesis**

Assessment Type 1: Thesis Indicative Time on Task 2: 50 hours Due: **Week 13** Weighting: **60%** 

Students are required to prepare a thesis report about their projects, including the literature review, project planning & design, progress and achievements.

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- Demonstrate an advanced knowledge of contextual factors, research direction, and foundational concepts in Electronics Engineering.
- Apply core Electronics Engineering principles and practices to a research or industry challenge.
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# Presentation and Oral Examination

Assessment Type 1: Viva/oral examination Indicative Time on Task 2: 10 hours Due: **Week 14-16** Weighting: **30%**  Students are required to deliver a comprehensive presentation and oral defence of their project proposal and progress at the end of the unit.

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### Supervisor Management Assessment

Assessment Type 1: Performance Indicative Time on Task 2: 15 hours Due: **Week 13** Weighting: **10%** 

In this unit, development of knowledge and skills will be guided by regular interactions with supervisors. Students must meet with supervisors regularly to show progress and receive feedback. This assessment of performance is made by the student's supervisor. It is comprised of the supervisor's judgement of self-management, engagement, intellectual independence, initiative, as well as judgement of the quality of record keeping & written log book. The logbook should contain dated records of day-to-day activities associated with the project. Outcomes of a minimum of five meetings must be documented using the meeting log sheet provided on iLearn to meet this hurdle assessment task.

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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**

#### **Unit Delivery**

This is a project-based unit and has no scheduled lectures or tutorial sessions. Special lectures may be organised and related announcements will be made via iLearn.

#### Logbook

This unit requires a logbook. The students should maintain an individual logbook which should contain a dated log of day-to-day activities undertaken in relation to the project.

#### Technology Used and Required

The students are required to discuss with their supervisor about the software/hardware resources required for analysis, simulation, testing and experiments related to their project. In addition, word processing software (MS Word, Latex etc.) will be required to produce the preliminary thesis and MS PowerPoint or equivalent software will be required for presentation slides.

#### Unit Webpage

Access from the online iLearn System at http://ilearn.mq.edu.au

#### **Required and Recommended Texts/Materials**

There is not set textbook for this unit. The students are required to discuss with their supervisor regarding required/recommended reading materials, as suited to individual project needs.

# **Policies and Procedures**

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://policie s.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 <u>Student Policies</u> (<u>https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/policies</u>). 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 <u>Policy Central</u> (<u>https://policies.mq.e</u> <u>du.au</u>) and use the <u>search tool</u>.

#### **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 <u>eStudent</u>, (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 <u>eStudent</u>. For more information visit <u>connect.mq.edu.au</u> or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

# Academic Integrity

At Macquarie, we believe <u>academic integrity</u> – 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 <u>online writing an</u> d maths support, academic skills development and wellbeing consultations.

# Student Support

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

### Academic Success

Academic Success 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
- <u>Safety support</u> to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues
- <u>Student Advocacy</u> provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

## **Student Enquiries**

Got a question? Ask us via the Service Connect Portal, or contact Service Connect.

## IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <u>http://www.mq.edu.au/about\_us/</u>offices\_and\_units/information\_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the <u>Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy</u>. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

# **Engineers Australia Competency Mapping**

EA Competency Standard

Unit Learning Outcomes

#### Unit guide ELEC4092 Electrical and Electronic Engineering Research Thesis A

Knowledge and Skill Base	1.1 Comprehensive, theory-based understanding of the underpinning fundamentals applicable to the engineering discipline.	
	1.2 Conceptual understanding of underpinning maths, analysis, statistics, computing.	
	1.3 In-depth understanding of specialist bodies of knowledge	ULO1, ULO3
	1.4 Discernment of knowledge development and research directions	ULO3
	1.5 Knowledge of engineering design practice	ULO3
	1.6 Understanding of scope, principles, norms, accountabilities of sustainable engineering practice.	ULO3
Engineering Application Ability	2.1 Application of established engineering methods to complex problem solving	ULO1, ULO4
	2.2 Fluent application of engineering techniques, tools and resources.	ULO4
	2.3 Application of systematic engineering synthesis and design processes.	ULO4
	2.4 Application of systematic approaches to the conduct and management of engineering projects.	ULO2, ULO4
Professional and Personal Attributes	3.1 Ethical conduct and professional accountability.	
	3.2 Effective oral and written communication in professional and lay domains.	ULO2, ULO5
	3.3 Creative, innovative and pro-active demeanour.	ULO5
	3.4 Professional use and management of information.	ULO2
	3.5 Orderly management of self, and professional conduct.	ULO2, ULO5
	3.6 Effective team membership and team leadership	

Unit information based on version 2025.03 of the Handbook