



CHIR12005 *Foundations of Chiropractic Practice*

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Term 1 - 2022

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General Information

Overview

In this unit you will build upon your knowledge of the principles and practice of chiropractic management through the introduction of soft tissue and mobilisation techniques commonly used in chiropractic practice. You will further demonstrate your psychomotor skills through the application of these techniques in practical classes. You will continue to learn about the contemporary status and philosophy of the chiropractic profession as well as the biomechanical principles underpinning the practical procedures you are learning.

Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 2*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Pre-requisite: BMSC11002 Human Body Systems 2 CHIR11003 Foundations of Chiropractic Practice 2 Co-requisite: CHIR12004 Neuromusculoskeletal Anatomy 1

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

Offerings For Term 1 - 2022

- Brisbane
- Mackay

Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

Class and Assessment Overview

Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

Class Timetable

[Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

[Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

Assessment Overview

1. **On-campus Activity**

Weighting: Pass/Fail

2. **Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs)**

Weighting: 50%

3. **Portfolio**

Weighting: 25%

4. **In-class Test(s)**

Weighting: 25%

Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

CQUniversity Policies

All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

Previous Student Feedback

Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

Feedback from Have Your Say

Feedback

Some students would have appreciated CQUni chiropractic specific resources. Specifically, they would like videos of the different tasks to allow for home review and practice.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the discipline explore the possibility of creating video recorded teaching resources.

Feedback from Have Your Say

Feedback

Students would appreciate it if the assessments were more clearly presented both in scheduling and format.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the UC review the assessments and ensure that the scheduling and requirements for the tasks are clear.

Feedback from Have Your Say

Feedback

Students reported that the communication between the campus staff and the coordinator could be improved upon.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the UC keep in regular contact with the staff on all campuses.

Feedback from Have Your Say

Feedback

Students felt that the content could be streamlined and reviewed for relevance to the unit.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the UC review the content within this unit and modify where appropriate.

Unit Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. Discuss the principles and practice of chiropractic management in a diverse community
2. Demonstrate psychomotor skills including mobilisation and soft tissue technique in a professional and competent manner
3. Demonstrate knowledge of the current political status of the chiropractic profession
4. Communicate the biomechanical and physiological principles underpinning mobilisation and soft tissue techniques to a variety of audiences.

Learning outcome 1 - competency 1 (1.2, 1.3), 3 (3.2, 3.4), and 4 (4.2)

Learning outcome 2 - competency 1 (1.2, 1.3) and 5 (5.2)

Learning outcome 3 - competency 1 (1.1, 1.3, 1.4)

Learning outcome 4 - competency 1 (1.2) and 2 (2.1)

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



N/A
Level



Introductory
Level



Intermediate
Level



Graduate
Level



Professional
Level



Advanced
Level

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes			
	1	2	3	4
1 - On-campus Activity - 0%	•	•		
2 - In-class Test(s) - 25%	•		•	•
3 - Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs) - 50%		•		•
4 - Portfolio - 25%			•	

Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes			
	1	2	3	4
1 - Communication	•	•		•
2 - Problem Solving	•	•	•	
3 - Critical Thinking		•	•	•
4 - Information Literacy	•		•	•
5 - Team Work		•		
6 - Information Technology Competence			•	
7 - Cross Cultural Competence	•	•		•
8 - Ethical practice	•	•		
9 - Social Innovation			•	•
10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures				

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

Assessment Tasks	Graduate Attributes									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 - On-campus Activity - 0%	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		
2 - In-class Test(s) - 25%	•	•	•						•	
3 - Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs) - 50%	•						•	•		
4 - Portfolio - 25%				•		•				

Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

There are no required textbooks.

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)

Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

Teaching Contacts

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Schedule

Week 1 - Introduction with Hand and Wrist - 07 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: 1) Introduction 2) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue Technique with integrated exam: Hand and Wrist Practical Tutorial: 1) Recap previous week; introduce this weeks soft tissue techniques of Hand and Wrist 2) Mobilisation Techniques and integrated exam of Hand and Wrist	Bergmann, T " <i>Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition</i> " pages 326-337 and 2-83 (intro) and 381-418 (soft tissue techniques) Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" pages 192-243	

Week 2- Elbow and Knee - 14 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: 1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue Technique with integrated exam: Elbow and Knee Practical Tutorial: 1) Recap previous week; introduce this weeks soft tissue techniques of Elbow and Knee 2) Mobilisation Techniques and integrated exam of Elbow and Knee	Bergmann, T " <i>Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition</i> " pages 315-325 (elbow) pages 349-365 Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" pages 249-302 (knee) pages 192-243 (elbow)	

Week 3 - Shoulder - 21 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Lecture:

1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue
Technique with integrated exam:
Shoulder

Practical Tutorial:

1) Recap previous week; introduce
this weeks soft tissue techniques of
Shoulder

2) Mobilisation Techniques and
integrated exam of Shoulder

Bergmann, T "*Chiropractic Technique;
Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition*"

pages 294-315

Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" **pages
153-190**

Week 4 - Cervical Spine - 28 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: 1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue Technique with integrated exam: Cervical Spine 2) Lecture on working effectively with Australian Indigenous Population Practical Tutorial: 1) Recap previous week; introduce this weeks soft tissue techniques of Shoulder 2) Mobilisation Techniques and integrated exam of Cervical Spine	Bergmann, T " <i>Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition</i> " pages 326-337 Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" pages 73-106	Quiz 1: Thursday 05:00- 17:00 AEST

Week 5 - Thoracic spine and Ribs - 04 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: 1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue Technique with integrated exam: Thoracic and Ribs 2) Lecture on Gait Analysis Practical Tutorial: 1) Recap previous week; introduce this weeks soft tissue techniques of Shoulder 2) Mobilisation Techniques and integrated exam of Cervical Spine	Bergmann, T " <i>Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition</i> " pages 189-233 Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" pages 107-152	

Vacation Week - 11 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Vacation Week	Vacation Week	Vacation Week

Week 6 G.A.L.S. Assessment and Mid-Term OSCE - 18 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: 1) G.A.L.S. assessment. Practical: 1) review of spinal regions and preparing for Mid-Term OSCE. 2) Mid Term OSCE	Observe the GALS screening exam Periodic journal articles relative to the lecture material.	OSCE 1: held during the second class this week. Please see individual timetable for date and time

Week 7 - Lumbar Spine and Pelvis - 25 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Lecture:

1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue

Technique with integrated exam:

Lumbar and Pelvis

2) Lecture on the Chiropractic

profession and current political status

Practical Tutorial:

1) Recap previous week; introduce this

weeks soft tissue techniques of the

Lumbar Spine and pelvis

2) Mobilisation Techniques and

integrated exam of Lumbar Spine and

pelvis

Bergmann, T "*Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition*"

pages 233-282 and 1-10

Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" **pages 117-152**

Week 8 - Hip - 02 May 2022

Module/Topic

Chapter

Events and Submissions/Topic

Lecture:

1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue

Technique with integrated exam: Hip

Practical Tutorial:

1) Recap previous week; introduce

this weeks soft tissue techniques of the hip

2) Mobilisation Techniques and

integrated exam of the Hip

Bergmann, T "*Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition*"

pages 337-349

Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" **pages 245-302**

Week 9 - Foot and Ankle - 09 May 2022

Module/Topic

Chapter

Events and Submissions/Topic

Lecture:

1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue

Technique with integrated exam: Foot and Ankle

Practical Tutorial:

1) Recap previous week; introduce

this weeks soft tissue techniques of Foot and Ankle

2) Mobilisation Techniques and

integrated exam of Foot and Ankle

Bergmann, T "*Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition*"

pages 365-380

Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" **pages 303-344**

Quiz 2: Thursday 05:00- 17:00 AEST

(PORTFOLIO 25%) Due: Week 9 Thursday (12 May 2022) 5:00 pm AEST

Week 10 - TMJ and Cranium - 16 May 2022

Module/Topic

Chapter

Events and Submissions/Topic

Lecture:

1) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue

Technique with integrated exam: TMJ

2) Mobilisation and Soft Tissue

Technique with integrated exam:

Cranium

Practical Tutorial:

1) Recap previous week; introduce this

weeks soft tissue techniques of TMJ and Cranium

2) Mobilisation Techniques and

integrated exam of TMJ and Cranium

Bergmann, T "*Chiropractic Technique; Principles and Procedures, 3rd edition*"

pages 283-294 (TMJ)

Vizniak, N "Muscle Manual" **pages 33-72**

Week 11 Full Review - 23 May 2022

Module/Topic

Chapter

Events and Submissions/Topic

Practical: Review of upper and lower limb regions expectations for final OSCE practical.

(ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITY 0%) Due: Week 11 Friday (27 May 2022) 5:00 pm AEST

Week 12 Final OSCE and Revision - 30 May 2022

Module/Topic

Chapter

Events and Submissions/Topic

Revision
Final OSCE

None

OSCE 2: held during the second class this week. Please see individual timetable for date and time

(OBJECTIVE STRUCTURED CLINICAL EXAMINATIONS (OSCEs) 50%) Due: Week 12 Friday (3 June 2022) 5:00 pm AEST

Review/Exam Week - 06 Jun 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The end of Term Test		In Class Test: 6th June 2022 15:00-17:00 AEST •BNE 01/1.07// 01/5.13 •MKY 82/G.10 (IN-CLASS TEST 25%) Due: Review/Exam Week Monday (6 June 2022) 3:00 pm AEST

Exam Week - 13 Jun 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
End of Term On-Line Test		

Assessment Tasks

1 (ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITY 0%)

Assessment Type

On-campus Activity

Task Description

The on-campus activities in this unit will help prepare you for subsequent units in your chiropractic degree.

You will receive ongoing verbal feedback in class to develop your key chiropractic skills.

The weekly on-campus activities will vary in requirements and expectations. Each will be based on material from the previous or current week. It is essential that you review the material.

The tasks will be completed during the first 10-15 minutes of each class. You will be provided with an on-campus activity sheet which you will be required to bring to each class and upon completion of the activity have your in-class tutor sign and date it. It is your responsibility to ensure this sheet is completed and kept safe as it is proof of completion. **Once you have completed the assessment you will need to upload the signed checklist sheet into Moodle at the end of Week 11.** This assignment requires **80% to pass.**

Please note, this is a pass/fail assessment task that means if you do not achieve a pass for this task you will not pass the unit. Supplementary assessments are not available for pass/fail assessment items.

Assessment Due Date

Week 11 Friday (27 May 2022) 5:00 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

You may receive formative feedback following each activity during the term and your final result will be confirmed through Moodle.

Weighting

Pass/Fail

Minimum mark or grade

80%

Assessment Criteria

The assessment criteria for this assessment task will involve completing 80% of the on-campus activities.

These activities will involve and be assessed on the following:

- Completing a task (additional details of the weekly activities can be found on Moodle)
- Receiving formative feedback
- Participating in group discussions
- Having the on-campus activity sheet signed after each activity
- Submit via Moodle

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

via moodle

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Discuss the principles and practice of chiropractic management in a diverse community
- Demonstrate psychomotor skills including mobilisation and soft tissue technique in a professional and competent manner

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Team Work
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

2 (OBJECTIVE STRUCTURED CLINICAL EXAMINATIONS (OSCES) 50%)

Assessment Type

Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs)

Task Description

There is a practical examination in the second practical session of Week 6 and another in week 12.

Each is worth 25% of the total grade for this unit.

Students must obtain a total of 50% or more to pass the practical assessment. Each practical assessment must be passed.

OSCE Assessment Criteria:

You will need to demonstrate competence in performing and evaluating mobilisation approaches and soft tissue techniques. Your performance will be graded, using a marking rubric, according to introduction, hygiene and consent; performance of soft tissue manipulations and/or mobilisations of the spinal regions/extremity; patient handling; technical performance and the examiner's overall impression of the overall performance.

Assessment Due Date

Week 12 Friday (3 June 2022) 5:00 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

Review/Exam Week Monday (6 June 2022)

Grades with feedback will be returned via Moodle

Weighting

50%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

The assessment criteria for this unit will seek to ensure that this assessment examines your newly developed clinical skills. A detailed rubric will be provided on Moodle.

The criteria will examine the following:

- Professionalism and communication with your mock patient
- Clinical skills - performing soft tissue manipulations and/or mobilisations of the spinal regions
- Performing and evaluating spinal and peripheral muscle techniques and mobilisation approaches
- Patient handling

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

Offline

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Demonstrate psychomotor skills including mobilisation and soft tissue technique in a professional and competent manner
- Communicate the biomechanical and physiological principles underpinning mobilisation and soft tissue techniques to a variety of audiences.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

3 (PORTFOLIO 25%)

Assessment Type

Portfolio

Task Description

Your portfolio task will be made up of two quizzes which will occur in week 4 and 9. (31st March, 12th May), it will be open on Thursday 05:00-17:00 AEST. These quizzes will assess your understanding and knowledge of the theoretical content delivered in the lectures this term. They will be online quizzes and you will have 30 minutes to complete each quiz. The questions will be written to test your comprehension and application of the material.

Assessment Due Date

Week 9 Thursday (12 May 2022) 5:00 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

Feedback and grade to be provided via Moodle site.

Weighting

25%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

The assessment criteria will involve selecting or providing the most accurate and correct answers to the questions posed in this end of term test.

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

Online

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Demonstrate knowledge of the current political status of the chiropractic profession

Graduate Attributes

- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence

4 (IN-CLASS TEST 25%)

Assessment Type

In-class Test(s)

Task Description

This end of term test will be undertaken in a CQUni computer lab on whichever campus that you are enrolled. The test will involve a mix of question types including multiple choice, short answer and matching styles. The test will assess all theoretical content taught across weeks 1-12. A study guide will be provided during the term.

Assessment Due Date

Review/Exam Week Monday (6 June 2022) 3:00 pm AEST

The end of term test will be held on CQU campus computer labs. BNE 01/1.07// 01/5.13 MKY 82/G.10.

Return Date to Students

The results will be available upon completion of the assessment task

Weighting

25%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

The assessment criteria will involve selecting or providing the most accurate and correct answers to the questions posed in this end of term test.

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

Online

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Discuss the principles and practice of chiropractic management in a diverse community
- Demonstrate knowledge of the current political status of the chiropractic profession
- Communicate the biomechanical and physiological principles underpinning mobilisation and soft tissue techniques to a variety of audiences.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Social Innovation

Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the [Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure](#). This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

What is a breach of academic integrity?

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

Why is academic integrity important?

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

Where can I get assistance?

For academic advice and guidance, the [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

What can you do to act with integrity?



Be Honest

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



Seek Help

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



Produce Original Work

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem