



CHIR13007 Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis 3

Term 2 - 2023

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General Information

Overview

This unit builds on other pathology related units in the course, as well as Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis 1. You will study non-musculoskeletal patient presentations, starting from the point of first contact with the patient, through history taking and physical examination, and finally to the formulation of a diagnosis. Through this process, you will also continue to develop your knowledge of common pathologies of each body system. By the end of the unit, your problem solving, analytical and critical thinking skills will have improved.

Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 3*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Pre-requisite: CHIR13010 Systems and Pathology

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 2 - 2023

- 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. **Online Quiz(zes)**

Weighting: 20%

2. **Practical Assessment**

Weighting: 30%

3. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 50%

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 SUTE

Feedback

The students appreciated the clinical focus of the practical classes.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the unit coordinator continue to provide clinically focused classes to ensure an authentic learning experience.

Feedback from SUTE

Feedback

Some students felt a standard rubric placed centrally would have improved their learning experience.

Recommendation

It is recommended that all assessment rubrics be placed in the assessment tab for students and staff.

Feedback from SUTE

Feedback

Some students felt that a weekly zoom tutorial would embed the knowledge further and consolidate the information across both locations.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the unit coordinator introduce a weekly 1 hour zoom to address questions from both campuses on the weekly topic.

Unit Learning Outcomes

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

1. Integrate your knowledge of anatomy, physiology, biochemistry and pathology with the clinical assessment of disease states
2. Explain the pathophysiological basis for a range of symptoms and signs
3. Demonstrate competent history taking skills and physical examination procedures
4. Develop a differential diagnosis based on history and examination findings
5. Apply the appropriate examination protocol to pathological disease states.

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Online Quiz(zes) - 20%	•	•	•	•	•
2 - Practical Assessment - 30%			•		•

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
3 - Written Assessment - 50%	•	•		•	

Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
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 - Online Quiz(zes) - 20%	•	•	•	•		•	•	•		
2 - Practical Assessment - 30%	•	•		•			•	•		
3 - Written Assessment - 50%	•	•	•	•		•		•		

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 - 10 Jul 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Introduction to the unit Introduction to Clinical History Taking and Physical Examination Skills Practical: History taking and practice of basic physical examination skills	Bate's - Ch 3: Interviewing and the Health History. Tally and O'Connor - Chapter 1 and 2: The General Principles of History Taking McLeod's - Ch 1: Managing Clinical Encounters with Patients; and Ch 2: General aspects of history taking *See Unit Introduction lecture for full titles of suggested textbooks, their location and how to use them for the scope of this unit.	

Week 2 - 17 Jul 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Clinical Vital Signs and Introduction to Clinical Investigations Practical: Assessing vital signs and revision of basic physical examination skills	Bate's - Ch 4: Beginning the Physical Examination: General Survey, Vital Signs, and Pain. Tally and O'Connor- Ch 3: The General Principles of Physical Examination McLeod's - Ch 3: General Aspects of Examination	

Week 3 - 24 Jul 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Lecture:
Clinical Examination of the Cardiovascular system

Practical:
Clinical Examination of the Cardiovascular System

Suggested further reading (any of the references below):
Bate's - Ch 9: The Cardiovascular System
Tally and O'Connor- Section 2: The Cardiovascular System
McLeod's - Ch 4: The Cardiovascular System

Week 4 - 31 Jul 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Clinical Examination of the Respiratory System	Bate's -Ch 8: The Thorax and Lungs Tally and O'Connor -Section 3: The Respiratory System	
Practical: Clinical Examination of the Respiratory System	McLeod's- Ch 5- The respiratory System	

Week 5 - 07 Aug 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Clinical Investigations and Overview of Management Options of the Cardiovascular and Respiratory Systems	Bate's - Ch 8: The Thorax and Lungs; Ch 9: The Cardiovascular System Tally and O'Connor- Section 2: The Cardiovascular System; Section 3: The Respiratory System	
Practical: Revision for OSCE 1	McLeod's - Ch 4: The Cardiovascular System; Ch 5- The respiratory System	

Vacation Week - 14 Aug 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Week 6 - 21 Aug 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Clinical Examination of the Gastrointestinal System	Bate's- Ch 11: The Abdomen Tally and O'Connor- Section 4: The Gastrointestinal System System.	OSCE 1 : Assessment of Vital signs and clinical examination of the cardiovascular and respiratory systems Time/place: In practical session times on your enrolled campus
Practical: Clinical Examination of the Abdomen	McLeod's- Ch 6: The Gastrointestinal System	

Week 7 - 28 Aug 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Clinical Examination of the Genitourinary System	Bate's -Ch 11: The Genitourinary System Tally and O'Connor Section 5: The Genitourinary System	
Practical: Clinical Examination of the Gastrointestinal System and Abdomen	McLeod's- Ch 11: The reproductive system; Ch 12: The renal system	

Week 8 - 04 Sep 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Clinical Investigations and Overview of Management Options of the Gastrointestinal and Genitourinary Systems	Bate's -Ch 11: The genitourinary system Tally and O'Connor Section 5: The genitourinary system	
Practical: Clinical Examination of the Gastrointestinal System and Genitourinary system.	McLeod's- Ch 11: The reproductive system and Ch 12: The renal system	

Week 9 - 11 Sep 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Lecture:
Clinical Examination, Investigations and Overview of Management Options of the of the Endocrine System

Tally and O'Connor Section 8: The Endocrine System

Practical:
Clinical Examination of Endocrine system

McLeod's- Ch 10: The endocrine system

Week 10 - 18 Sep 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: Clinical Examination, Investigations and Overview of Management Options of the Hematopoietic and Lymphatic Systems	Tally and O'Connor Section 6: The Hematological System	
Practical: Clinical examination of the Lymphatic and Hematopoietic Systems		

Week 11 - 25 Sep 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Lecture: 1. Clinical Examination, Investigations and Overview of Management Options of the Ears and Eyes 2. Clinical Examination, Investigations and overview of management options of the Integumentary system	Bate's - Ch 7: The head and neck (the eye, the ear) Tally and O'Connor - Section 12: 'The eye', 'The ears' McLeod's Ch 8: The visual system; Ch 9: The Ear Bate's - Ch 6: The Skin, Hair and Nails Tally and O'Connor - Section 12: 'The skin and lumps' McLeod's Ch 14: The skin, hair and nails	
Practical: Eyes, Ears, Skin examination + Revision for OSCE 2		

Week 12 - 02 Oct 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Practical: OSCE		OSCE 2: Clinical examination of the Gastrointestinal, Genitourinary, Endocrine and Hematopoietic and Lymphatic systems. Time/place: In practical session times on your enrolled campus

Review/Exam Week - 09 Oct 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
		In Class Test: Week 13, Please refer to your timetable for location, date and times for your campus. <i>Please note this will be held on campus in the computer labs.</i>

Exam Week - 16 Oct 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Assessment Tasks

1 Online Quiz

Assessment Type

Online Quiz(zes)

Task Description

There will be Two (2) quizzes with a weighting of 10% each; total of 20% of the overall unit grade. The quizzes will be held in weeks 4 and 9. Each will open at 14:00 AEST and close at 21:00 AEST Thursday.

These will be delivered online and is not a group assessment, once you have opened the quiz, you will have 30 minutes to complete it.

There will only be one attempt per quiz.

Each quiz will contain multiple choice questions (20 questions in total).

There will be no extension due to unforeseen technical problems or Internet connectivity, unless proof is supplied that there was a problem with Moodle. At which point you must contact the UC and tasac with screenshots of the error message. Results with feedback will become available to students, at the time of closure of each quiz.

Number of Quizzes

2

Frequency of Quizzes

Other

Assessment Due Date

Due Thursday at 21:00 AEST weeks 4 and 9

Return Date to Students

Marks will be released via moodle once all students have completed the task.

Weighting

20%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

Student is able to demonstrate:

1. Understanding of the relationship between anatomy, physiology, pathology and diagnosis.
2. Understanding of the pathophysiological basis for a range of symptoms and signs.
3. Understanding indications for a system examination and the implications of its findings.
4. Knowledge of common clinical investigations of body systems and familiarity with management options of their disorders.

Referencing Style

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

Submission

Online

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Integrate your knowledge of anatomy, physiology, biochemistry and pathology with the clinical assessment of disease states
- Explain the pathophysiological basis for a range of symptoms and signs
- Demonstrate competent history taking skills and physical examination procedures
- Develop a differential diagnosis based on history and examination findings
- Apply the appropriate examination protocol to pathological disease states.

Graduate Attributes

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

2 OSCE

Assessment Type

Practical Assessment

Task Description

There will be 2 OSCE's throughout the term.

OSCE 1 is in week 6 and includes assessment of taking vital signs, and physical examination skills of the cardiovascular system and the respiratory systems.

OSCE 2 is in week 12 and includes assessment of the physical examination skills of the gastrointestinal/genitourinary, lymphoid/hematopoietic, and endocrine systems.

Each OSCE is worth 15%. This component is worth 30% of the unit total grade.

These OSCEs will assess your competency in performing the following tasks:

1. Observation of the patient for a specified condition or clinical sign
2. Assessment of vital signs
3. Examination of cardiovascular, respiratory, digestive, endocrine, lymphatic, haematopoietic and integumentary systems:
 - a. demonstrate assessment protocol of a patient for a specific condition (a list of conditions will be provided)
 - b. demonstrate skills in palpation, percussion and auscultation
4. Professionalism- to include informed consent and appropriate hygiene

Assessment Due Date

The test will be conducted over 2 separate parts: In Week 6 during Practical Class and in Week 12 (refer to timetable).

Return Date to Students

1 week after the task is conducted

Weighting

30%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

Student is able to:

1. Competently assess a person's pulse, blood pressure, respiratory rate and body temperature.
2. Competently perform basic clinical examination skills (observation, percussion, palpation and auscultation).
3. Select and competently perform the appropriate examination routine required to facilitate the recognition of specific disorders or disease states of the different systems taught in this unit.

Referencing Style

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

Submission

No submission method provided.

Submission Instructions

OSCE- Practical Assessment.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Demonstrate competent history taking skills and physical examination procedures
- Apply the appropriate examination protocol to pathological disease states.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Information Literacy
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

3 In Class test

Assessment Type

Written Assessment

Task Description

This in class test will assess your comprehension and application of the content delivered across the 12 weeks of term. You will undertake the test in a computer lab and online via Moodle. The test will involve multiple choice questions , which will be automatically marked by Moodle, as well as short answer questions which will be marked by the UC.

The assessment criteria will involve selecting or providing the correct answers and communicating your answers clearly in written form. The minimum grade is (pass) 50%.

It will be invigilated by a member of the chiropractic staff and will be based in the computer lab on your campus. Please

see final timetable and moodle tab "assessment" for up to date information.

Assessment Due Date

Review/Exam Week 13 Students will complete this assessment on campus in a computer lab. Refer to timetable.

Return Date to Students

Two weeks after due date of the in class test

Weighting

50%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

Student is able to demonstrate:

1. Understanding of the relationship between anatomy, physiology, pathology and diagnosis.
2. Understanding of the pathophysiological basis for a range of symptoms and signs.
3. Understanding indications for a system examination and the implications of its findings.
4. Clinical reasoning in forming a differential diagnosis based on history and examination findings
5. Knowledge of common clinical investigations of body systems and familiarity with management options of their disorders.

Referencing Style

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

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Computer lab will be booked on each campus for students to complete the in class test.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Integrate your knowledge of anatomy, physiology, biochemistry and pathology with the clinical assessment of disease states
- Explain the pathophysiological basis for a range of symptoms and signs
- Develop a differential diagnosis based on history and examination findings

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence
- Ethical practice

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