



# EDED11458 *Indigenous Studies and Learning*

## Term 2 - 2021

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## General Information

### Overview

The unit Indigenous Studies and Learning develops knowledge and understanding of historical factors that impact on the engagement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander learners and families in education and care settings. The policy and action of governments and media representations are analysed, discussed and compared with indigenous perspectives on race relations and past events with an emphasis on developing understanding and appreciation of contemporary Indigenous Australian identity and culture. Pedagogies for working effectively and appropriately with indigenous Australians, families and communities including current systemic initiatives and policies are evaluated in terms of their suitability for students in rural, remote and urban Australian communities. You will consider Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander world views and your own and others attitudes to Indigenous people to defend the selection of teaching strategies aimed at promoting reconciliation and effective learning relationships with students, families and communities.

### Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 1*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 7

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

### Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

To be eligible to enrol in this unit, students must be enrolled in CC12, CC13, CC14 or the Start University Now (SUN) program

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 - 2021

- Online

### 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: Pass/Fail

#### 2. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 50%

#### 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 Student evaluation

##### Feedback

Greater variance in examples is needed.

##### Recommendation

Provide content examples for early childhood, primary and secondary school contexts.

#### Feedback from Student evaluation

##### Feedback

The content was interesting, valuable and essential.

##### Recommendation

Continue to update the unit content, but ensure it remains linked to schooling contexts.

## Unit Learning Outcomes

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

1. Use correct terminology and protocols when referring to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, culture and histories
2. Analyse the impact of deficit views of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students on learning and engagement
3. Analyse and respond to representations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in contemporary and historical texts and their impact on race relations with non-Indigenous Australians
4. Critique government policies and approaches to the education of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in past and present society
5. Explain the effect of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander world views and the concept of relatedness on the learning styles of indigenous students
6. Justify the use of strategies that cater for the diversity of experience, identity and linguistic background of contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and communities
7. Evaluate the capacity of current programs and initiatives for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, families and communities for promoting engagement and participation in education and care.

### Successful completion of this unit provides opportunities for students to engage with the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers (Graduate Career Stage) focus areas of:

- 1.3 Students with diverse linguistic, cultural, religious and socioeconomic backgrounds
- 1.4 Strategies for teaching Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student
- 2.4 Understand and respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to promote reconciliation between Indigenous and non Indigenous Australians
- 2.5 Literacy and numeracy strategies
- 3.5 Use effective classroom communication
- 3.7 Engage parents/carers in the educative process
- 4.1 Support student participation
- 7.3 Engage with the parents/carers

In addition, competency elements from the Diploma of Children's Services (Early Childhood Education and Care) are taught and assessed in this unit.

## Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes

 N/A Level	 Introductory Level	 Intermediate Level	 Graduate Level	 Professional Level	 Advanced Level
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## Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 - Online Quiz(zes) - 0%	•						
2 - Written Assessment - 50%	•	•	•	•			•
3 - Written Assessment - 50%	•				•	•	•

## Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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) - 0%	•						•			
2 - Written Assessment - 50%	•	•	•	•			•	•		
3 - Written Assessment - 50%	•	•	•	•			•	•		

## Textbooks and Resources

### Textbooks

EDED11458

#### Prescribed

#### Learning and Teaching in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education

Edition: Third (2016)

Authors: Harrison and Sellwood

Oxford University Press

Melbourne , Victoria , Australia

ISBN: 9780190303204

Binding: Paperback

#### Additional Textbook Information

Both paper and eBook versions can be purchased at the CQUni Bookshop here: <http://bookshop.cqu.edu.au> (search on the Unit code).

[View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop](#)

### 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 --- Understanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children - 12 Jul 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Understanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children	Refer to the Week 1 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction Quiz to be completed</li><li>• Undertake Week 1 self-test quiz</li><li>• <b>Week 1 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li><li>• <b>Assessment Task 1</b> Indigenous Terminology/Protocols Quiz to be completed by August 6, 2021 (week 4).</li></ul>

### Week 2 -- Inclusive Australian History - 19 Jul 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Inclusive Australian History	Refer to the Week 2 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Week 2 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li> <li>• <b>Assessment Task 1</b> Indigenous Terminology/Protocols Quiz to be completed by August 6, 2021 (week 4).</li> </ul>
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### Week 3 -- Inclusive Australian History continued - 26 Jul 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Inclusive Australian History (continued)	Refer to the Week 3 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Week 3 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li> <li>• Undertake Week 2-3 self-test quiz</li> <li>• <b>Assessment Task 1</b> Indigenous Terminology/Protocols Quiz to be completed by August 6, 2021 (week 4).</li> </ul>

### Week 4 -- The impacts of past policies on Australian Indigenous cultures and identity - 02 Aug 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The impacts of past policies on Australian Indigenous cultures and identity	Refer to the Week 4 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Week 4 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li> <li>• <b>Assessment Task 1</b> Indigenous Terminology/Protocols Quiz to be completed by August 6, 2021 (week 4).</li> </ul> <p><b>Indigenous Terminology/Protocols Quiz</b> Due: Week 4 Friday (6 Aug 2021) 11:45 pm AEST</p>

### Week 5 -- The impacts of past policies on Australian Indigenous cultures and identity continued - 09 Aug 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The impacts of past policies on Australian Indigenous cultures and identity (continued)	Refer to the Week 5 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Week 5 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li> <li>• Undertake Week 4-5 self-test quiz</li> </ul>

### Vacation Week - 16 Aug 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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### Week 6 -- Culture and Identity: Ways of knowing, learning and being - 23 Aug 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Culture and Identity: Ways of knowing, learning and being	Refer to the Week 6 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Week 6 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li> </ul>

### Week 7 -- Culture and Identity: Ways of knowing, learning and being continued - 30 Aug 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Culture and Identity: Ways of knowing, learning and being (continued)	Refer to the Week 7 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Week 7 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li> <li>• Undertake Week 6-7 self-test quiz</li> </ul> <p><b>Written Response to Stimulus</b> Due: Week 7 Friday (3 Sept 2021) 11:45 pm AEST</p>

### Week 8 -- Quality Teaching for Indigenous Australian Children - 06 Sep 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Quality Teaching for Indigenous Australian Children	Refer to the Week 8 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Week 8 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li> </ul>

### Week 9 -- Quality Teaching for Indigenous Australian Children continued - 13 Sep 2021

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Quality Teaching for Indigenous Australian Children (continued)

Refer to the Week 9 eReading list for this unit.

- **Week 9 Study Guide tasks to be submitted**
- Undertake Week 8-9 self-test quiz

#### **Week 10 -- Engaging Indigenous learners in authentic learning environments - 20 Sep 2021**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Engaging Indigenous learners in authentic learning environments	Refer to the Week 10 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Week 10 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li><li>• Undertake Week 10 self-test quiz</li></ul>

#### **Week 11 -- Relationships, Community Partnerships and Strategies for Indigenous Education - 27 Sep 2021**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Relationships, Community Partnerships and Strategies for Indigenous Education	Refer to the Week 11 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Week 11 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li></ul>

#### **Week 12 -- Relationships, Community Partnerships and Strategies for Indigenous Education continued - 04 Oct 2021**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Relationships, Community Partnerships and Strategies for Indigenous Education (continued)	Refer to the Week 12 eReading list for this unit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Week 12 Study Guide tasks to be submitted</b></li><li>• Undertake Week 11-12 self-test quiz</li></ul> <p><b>School Design Task</b> Due: Week 12 Friday (8 Oct 2021) 11:45 pm AEST</p>

#### **Review/Exam Week - 11 Oct 2021**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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#### **Exam Week - 18 Oct 2021**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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## Assessment Tasks

### 1 Indigenous Terminology/Protocols Quiz

#### **Assessment Type**

Online Quiz(zes)

#### **Task Description**

This assessment task quiz tests your knowledge and understanding of protocols and terminology associated with working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Using the correct terminology and understanding the protocols shows respect to our First Nations People.

This assessment specifically addresses Standards 1.4 and 2.4 of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers and is designed to measure your ability to:

- Demonstrate broad knowledge and understanding of the impact of culture, cultural identity and linguistic background on the education of students from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds. (APST 1.4)
- Demonstrate broad knowledge of, understanding of and respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and languages. (APST 2.4)

This quiz will be available as soon as you achieve 85% or more in the Introduction Quiz.

**To pass this unit, you MUST demonstrate full competency by attaining a mark of 100% on this quiz.** You can retake this quiz as many times as required to achieve the mark of 100%.

You MUST complete the quiz by the end of week 4 (August 6th, 2021). After this time, the quiz will not be available.

**Note:** This quiz is made up of questions randomly taken from a question bank, so no two quizzes will be the same.

#### **Number of Quizzes**

1

#### **Frequency of Quizzes**

Other

**Assessment Due Date**

Week 4 Friday (6 Aug 2021) 11:45 pm AEST  
The quiz will be unavailable after August 6, 2021

**Return Date to Students**

You will receive the results of your quiz immediately. Please undertake the quiz until you receive a score of 100%.

**Weighting**

Pass/Fail

**Minimum mark or grade**

100%

**Assessment Criteria**

Knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander terminology and protocols.

**Referencing Style**

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

**Submission**

Online

**Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Use correct terminology and protocols when referring to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, culture and histories

**Graduate Attributes**

- Communication
- Cross Cultural Competence

## 2 Written Response to Stimulus

**Assessment Type**

Written Assessment

**Task Description**

This assessment task requires you to write a letter responding to the below context.

**CONTEXT**

*Gudamulli (hello),*

*My name is Amy and I'm a Darumbal girl and a year nine student at my local high school. I've lived in Rockhampton all my life and been raised by my Aboriginal mother and my aunties.*

*Mum and my grandparents (when they were alive) would tell me stories about my culture including the Dreaming. They would also tell me stories about what happened in the old days. These stories are not very nice and included things like "The Act" and how they were not free to travel without the whitefella's permission. I remember grandfather talking about how he was frightened to speak our language and to practice our culture properly. He said that his grandfather was beaten as a child by a whitefella with a big stick down on the riverbank when he was looking for work at the old docks. Grandfather said that it was another whitefella from Tasmania that stepped in and saved his life. That man then adopted my great, great grandfather and gave him his surname. We still have relatives down in northeast Tasmania today. Sometimes I feel angry about what the non-Indigenous people have done to my family over the years since Australia was colonised. All those bad stories make me sad, and angry. My family were pleased when Mr Eddie Koiki Mabo won his case in the high court and got back his native title for all the people of Mer (Murray Island). While we were hopeful that this would mean that all Indigenous Australians would get their traditional lands back, we realised that the Australian Government were quickly passing laws to "extinguish" native title and to limit the entitlements of traditional owners to less than those of freehold title. We were pleased when Prime Minister Kevin Rudd apologised to all our mobs about the kid stealing the whitefellas did in the name of assimilation, but we have not seen anything more come out of this apology. I feel out of place when I'm at school. I know that I'm not as smart as many of the non-Indigenous kids, but I'm good at other stuff and I'm proud of my culture. Many of my teachers seem to know that I'm not as smart as the non-Indigenous kids and sometimes give me stuff that I can already do to make sure that I don't cause them any trouble. I still do muck up sometimes though. I often hear on the news that our State and Federal Governments are trying to close the gap in education and health by funding support systems for*

*us blackfellas. Yes, it's true, we have a couple of Indigenous support workers at our school, and it is good to talk to Auntie Millie when I'm feeling a bit lost. I also know that there are some scholarships just for us mob, but I think that is more for our people who go to Uni.*

*Even though the governments are spending lots of money to close the gap in education I just don't see it working. I think maybe they are spending it on the wrong stuff!*

*This is where you come in. I am asking you to write a letter to your local State and Federal Members of parliament explaining what you see as the problem and why things are not getting better in education for our mob. I would also like you to suggest additional government strategies that will make our educational outcomes better. I know from my conversations with your Unit Coordinator that the members of parliament will not take your letter seriously unless you write it in a scholarly matter using citations from the literature he has provided for you and other scholarly sources.*

*I also want you to share three of your own experiences from your Indigenous Studies and Learning Unit in your letter to make them politicians understand what you have learned and how it has affected you.*

*Thank you in advance for your time and for your commitment to helping me and my mob to get better outcomes in our school education.*

*Amy*

### **Expectations for your written response**

Your letter, of no more than 2000(+/-10%) words, must respond to Amy's request above and be addressed to your State and Federal members of parliament that represent your electorates. You can also, if you wish, address it to the education ministers and shadow ministers of your State and Federal governments.

Your letter must:

1. be written in a scholarly manner which includes supporting all of your assertions with reference to the scholarly literature. This means that the vast majority of the sources you cite should be articles from peer-reviewed journals, books and conference papers. You can and should reference Government websites where they are the primary source of policy information.
2. use references from the Unit readings to show your knowledge and understanding of the impact past and present representations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and Government policy have had on race relations.
3. include your own reflections on the impact of our shared Australian history (and your cultural background) on the attitudes and views you have formed of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as students and learners.
4. make reference to your participation in at least three (3) learning experiences associated with studying this Unit that have shaped your understanding on the importance of teachers' acknowledgment, recognition, and respect for Indigenous history and culture.
5. explain effective teaching strategies for supporting the identity needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and how you would promote reconciliation within classroom contexts and the broader school community by:
  - acknowledging and teaching our shared Australian history,
  - paying respect to the local Indigenous culture by embedding Indigenous perspectives into your curriculum and encouraging all of your students to take pride in the local Indigenous culture, and
  - developing strong relationships with the local Indigenous community.

### **Letter Structure**

Your submission is to be structured as a business letter and submitted as MSWord file.

*You must write an introduction first that provides:*

- the context for your communication (writing on behalf of Amy as part of an Indigenous Studies and Learning Unit in your Course).
- an overview, as you see it, on the reasons why the "closing the gap" strategies for education are not working.
- a brief outline of some strategies you believe will work to improve educational outcomes for Indigenous students and contribute to reconciliation.

*You need to follow your introduction with a discussion that:*

- demonstrates your knowledge and understanding of the diverse Australian Indigenous histories, cultures, and languages.
- analyses the impact of historical government policy and past and present representations on culture and identity of Australian Indigenous peoples and students.
- critically reflects on Indigenous and non-Indigenous perspectives and the impact of diverse views on

engagement and participation in education and care settings.

- use culturally appropriate language and academic conventions to construct a convincing and persuasive argument.

*The conclusion of your letter should:*

- re-state the purpose of the letter.
- provide a summary of the critical points you have made in your persuasive argument.
- thank the reader for the time they have taken to read what you have written.
- include a final section for your references.
- ends with a business salutation "Yours sincerely" then your name and place for your signature.

### **Guiding questions for your discussion:**

1. What are the differences between the way in which we teach Australian history at schools and the way Indigenous people have experienced it since colonisation?
2. What impact do some non-Indigenous peoples' stereotypes have on Indigenous students?
3. What is generational trauma and what impact does this have on Indigenous students?
4. What impact has suppressing Indigenous cultural knowledge and languages over the years since colonisation had on the way Indigenous school students see themselves in terms of identity and confidence with regard to educational success?
5. Why is it important to know and understand Indigenous cultural practices and protocols?
6. What strategies would you suggest that would help drastically improve the performance of Indigenous school students and lead more quickly towards reconciliation?

### **Assessment Due Date**

Week 7 Friday (3 Sept 2021) 11:45 pm AEST

### **Return Date to Students**

Week 10 Friday (24 Sept 2021)

Assessment tasks will be returned once moderation has occurred.

### **Weighting**

50%

### **Minimum mark or grade**

Pass

### **Assessment Criteria**

- Knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal histories, cultures and language (APST 2.4)
- Analysis of the impact of government policy and past and present representations on culture and identity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and students (APST 2.4)
- Critical reflection on Indigenous and non-Indigenous perspectives and the impact of diverse views on engagement and participation in education and care settings (APST 1.4)
- Use of culturally appropriate language and academic conventions to construct a defensible position in Letter to the stimulus (APST 2.4)

### **Referencing Style**

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

### **Submission**

Online

### **Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Use correct terminology and protocols when referring to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, culture and histories
- Analyse the impact of deficit views of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students on learning and engagement
- Analyse and respond to representations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in contemporary and historical texts and their impact on race relations with non-Indigenous Australians
- Critique government policies and approaches to the education of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in past and present society
- Evaluate the capacity of current programs and initiatives for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, families and communities for promoting engagement and participation in education and care.

## Graduate Attributes

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

## 3 School Design Task

### Assessment Type

Written Assessment

### Task Description

Throughout this Unit, you have examined a range of strategies and resources appropriate for working with Australian Indigenous learners, families, and communities; and for the teaching of our shared Australian history in respectful ways that promote reconciliation.

For this task, you are asked to design a "White Paper" plan (for a specific school) that describes and justifies a set of school-wide and individual teacher strategies that engage Indigenous students in learning in educational settings, and that leads to reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

### Task Details

You will choose a school that you are required to research for the purposes of this assessment task.

You **MUST** identify at least four (4) school-based and seven (7) individual teaching strategies that show consideration of students' cultural, linguistic and identity needs AND strategies for working effectively and sensitively with families and communities to support the learning and engagement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Your work is to be presented as a written "White Paper" in a scholarly report format that explains each of your design strategies, the reasons for their choice and how they relate to the school you have been allocated. Your White Paper (scholarly report) will, in no more than 1500 words (+/-10%), clearly explain why and how your strategies would meet the learning, language, cultural and identity needs of Indigenous learners as well as identify any limitations on the effectiveness of these strategies in your allocated school. Your White Paper should consider the diversity of needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in your allocated school. The White Paper **MUST** be supported by references taken from Unit, other scholarly readings, and your set textbook.

Your submission **MUST** demonstrate extensive knowledge and a broad understanding of teaching strategies that are responsive to the learning strengths and needs of students from diverse linguistic, cultural, religious and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Additionally, you will need to demonstrate a broad knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and languages. Your submission **MUST** be written in a sensitive and respectful manner.

### Assessment Due Date

Week 12 Friday (8 Oct 2021) 11:45 pm AEST

### Return Date to Students

Assignments will be released after moderation has occurred and certification of grades processes have been completed.

### Weighting

50%

### Minimum mark or grade

Pass

### Assessment Criteria

- Knowledge and understanding of the impact of Indigenous cultural identity on learning (APST 1.4)
- Application of knowledge of Indigenous cultures to the selection of strategies for relationship building that support educational equity and performance (APST 2.4)
- Knowledge of language backgrounds and the diversity of student characteristics that affect the learning of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students (APST 1.4)
- Understanding of a school's role in promoting reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians (APST 2.4)
- Use of authoritative sources to justify strategy selection (APST 1.4)

### Referencing Style

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

**Submission**

Online

**Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Use correct terminology and protocols when referring to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, culture and histories
- Explain the effect of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander world views and the concept of relatedness on the learning styles of indigenous students
- Justify the use of strategies that cater for the diversity of experience, identity and linguistic background of contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and communities
- Evaluate the capacity of current programs and initiatives for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, families and communities for promoting engagement and participation in education and care.

**Graduate Attributes**

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Cross Cultural 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