



# HUMT20012 *Elements of Creative Writing I*

## Term 1 - 2017

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### General Information

#### Overview

This unit introduces you to the basic elements of writing creatively. You will engage in weekly discussions of contemporary theory and complete practical exercises in the techniques explored via the unit Moodle website. At the end of the unit you will have acquired a working knowledge of the following creative writing techniques - Point of View, Characterisation, Dialogue, Setting, and Plot/Suspense/Pace - and will be able to plan and undertake a writing project successfully demonstrating the capacity to incorporate these techniques into the production of a 'creative artefact' (3500-4000 words in total) consisting of a creative work and a critical reflection (exegesis).

#### Details

Career Level: *Postgraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 9*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 10

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

#### Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

There are no requisites for this unit.

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 - 2017

- Distance

#### 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 Postgraduate 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. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 20%

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

Weighting: 35%

#### 3. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 45%

### 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 email.

##### Feedback

Thank you for returning my email so promptly. I really appreciate the feedback and will start writing my draft now.

##### Recommendation

Supervisor will ensure fast turn-around time for student communications, particularly as regards ongoing Research Project draft and revision processes.

##### Action

Unit coordinator/supervisor continues to ensure not only fast turn-around time for student communications, particularly as regards feedback, but a high level of individual, one-to-one student support.

## Unit Learning Outcomes

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

1. Develop and realise a planned writing project and manage any problems in its implementation
2. Critically evaluate published academic research in contemporary creative writing theory
3. Identify secondary data sources and review extant literature to develop a theoretical framework for the planned writing project
4. Prepare a critical reflection based on the planned writing project
5. Complete practical exercises and apply learned techniques in the planned writing project.

N/A

## 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 - Written Assessment - 20%	•	•	•	•	•
2 - Written Assessment - 35%	•	•	•	•	•
3 - Written Assessment - 45%	•	•	•	•	•

### Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Knowledge	•	•	•	•	•

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
2 - Communication	o	o	o	o	o
3 - Cognitive, technical and creative skills	o	o	o	o	o
4 - Research	o	o	o	o	o
5 - Self-management	o	o	o	o	o
6 - Ethical and Professional Responsibility	o	o	o	o	o
7 - Leadership	o	o	o	o	o
8 - 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
1 - Written Assessment - 20%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	
2 - Written Assessment - 35%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	
3 - Written Assessment - 45%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	

## Textbooks and Resources

### Textbooks

HUMT20012

#### Prescribed

##### Imaginative Writing: elements of craft

(2007)

Authors: Burroway, J

Pearson

New York , United States

Binding: Paperback

#### Additional Textbook Information

##### Recommended Texts

The following texts will form essential and recommended textbooks in subsequent units in the Master of Letters (Creative Writing) course:

Casterton, Julia 2005, *Creative writing: A practical guide*, 3rd Ed, Macmillan, Hampshire.

Grenville, Kate 2010, *The writing book*, Allen & Unwin, Sydney.

King, Stephen 2000, *On writing: A memoir of the craft*, Scribner, New York.

Kinross-Smith, Graeme 1992, *Writer: A working guide for new writers*, Oxford, Melbourne.

Schaefer, Candice & Diamond, Rick 1998, *The creative writing guide: poetry, literary nonfiction, fiction, drama*, Addison Wesley Longman, New York.

[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: [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

## Teaching Contacts

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## Schedule

### Week 1 - 06 Mar 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Introduction: Imaginative Writing	<p>The set text for this unit is:  Burroway, J <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i>, Pearson, New York.  The references to page numbers and readings will depend on which edition of this text you have.</p> <p>Readings:  'Invitation to the Writer', in  <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i>, Pearson, New York, pp. xxi-xxviii  Chapter One 'Image', in <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i>, Pearson, New York, pp. 3 - 41</p>	<p>a) Contribute an entry to the 'Introduction: Imaginative Writing' discussion board (unit moodle site). Your entry could be a critical reflection or a draft piece of creative writing</p> <p>b) Start your 'Creative writing journal' (your writing journal will prove a valuable source of reflection over this term and form your submission for Assessment Item 2: Critical Reflection Journal)</p> <p>c) Commence drafting Assessment Item 1: Proposal (due next week). Please refer to the exemplar to help you in creating your Proposal</p>
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## Week 2 - 13 Mar 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Getting Started	See Unit Study Guide	<p>a) Contribute an entry to the 'Getting Started' discussion board in the form of a creative writing piece (e.g., perhaps a response to one of the writing exercises)</p> <p>b) Finalise your draft for Assessment Item 1: Proposal (due this week) and match your work against the assessment criteria and the exemplar to ensure your submission meets the assessment requirements</p> <p><b>Written Assessment - Proposal</b>  Due: Week 2 Friday (17 Mar 2017)  5:00 pm AEST</p>

## Week 3 - 20 Mar 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The Fundamentals of Writing: Fiction	Chapter Eight: 'Fiction', in <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 272 - 305	<p>a) Contribute an entry to the 'The Fundamentals of Writing: Fiction' discussion board in the form of a creative writing piece (e.g., perhaps a response to one of the writing exercises)</p> <p>b) Comment on a fellow student's post on 'The Fundamentals of Writing: Fiction' discussion board</p> <p>c) Commence work on your writing project. The major writing project will comprise 3500-4000 words in total). This work needs to successfully demonstrate the capacity to incorporate techniques (point of view, characterisation, plot, suspense and pace) into the production of a 'creative artefact' (2500-3000 words in total) consisting of a creative work and a critical reflection (exegesis: 1250-1700 words)</p>

## Week 4 - 27 Mar 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Point of View	'Point of View', in <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 49 - 54	a) Contribute an entry to the 'Point of View' discussion board in the form of a creative writing piece (e.g., perhaps a response to one of the writing exercises) b) Remember to keep your 'Creative writing journal' up-to-date with weekly entries
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#### Week 5 - 03 Apr 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Creating believable protagonists: Characterisation	'Character', in <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 86 - 127 Also see Unit Study Guide. Considerations (see unit moodle site): a) What is a 'creative artefact'? b) What is a 'critical reflection'?	a) Contribute an entry to the 'Creating believable protagonists: Characterisation' discussion board in the form of a short creative piece focusing on 'Characterisation' b) Comment on a fellow student's short creative piece c) Continue to work on your writing project. The major writing project will comprise 3500-4000 words in total). This work needs to successfully demonstrate the capacity to incorporate techniques (point of view, characterisation, plot, suspense and pace) into the production of a 'creative artefact' (2500-3000 words in total) consisting of a creative work and a critical reflection (exegesis: 1250-1700 words)

#### Vacation Week - 10 Apr 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
		Remember to keep your 'Creative writing journal' up-to-date with weekly entries.

#### Week 6 - 17 Apr 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Speaking subjects: Dialogue	'Voice', in <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 42-85 Also See Unit Study Guide See Unit Moodle Site a) What is a 'creative artefact'? b) What is an 'exegesis'?	a) Contribute an entry to the 'Speaking subjects: Dialogue' discussion board. b) Continue progress on your writing project. c) write a critical reflection for this week

#### Week 7 - 24 Apr 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Setting: as world, as camera, as mood and symbol, as action	Chapter Four, in <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 129 - 177 Also See Unit Study Guide	a) Contribute an entry to the 'Setting' discussion board b) Continue progress on your writing project c) write a critical reflection for this week

#### Week 8 - 01 May 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Rising Action: Plot	Chapter Five, <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 179 - 215	a) Contribute an entry to the unit Moodle 'Rising Action' discussion board b) Continue progress on your writing project c) write a critical reflection for this week

**Week 9 - 08 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The Fundamentals of Genre: Writing for the stage & Writing Poetry	Chapter Nine, <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 306 - 335 Chapter Ten, <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 337 - 369	a) Contribute an entry to the 'Fundamentals of Genre' discussion board b) Remember to keep your 'Creative writing journal' up-to-date with weekly entries

**Week 10 - 15 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Imaginative Writing	Imagery in fiction: <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 19 - 31 Imagery in poetry: <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 31 - 37, 310 Imagery in drama: <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 37-41 Character as imagery: <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 89 - 91 Metaphor and simile: <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 11 - 13 Symbol as setting: <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 136 - 137	a) Continue revising and fine-tuning your writing project b) Begin polishing and finalising your critical reflection (exegesis) c) Contribute an entry to the 'Imaginative Writing' discussion board

**Week 11 - 22 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Development and Revision	Chapter Six, <i>Imaginative Writing: elements of craft</i> , Pearson, New York, pp. 216 - 241 Critical Reflection Journal (considerations): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do my entries critically reflect on my creative decision-making regarding point of view, characterisation, plot, etc.?</li> <li>Do my entries critically reflect on my creative decision-making regarding the genre and form in which the creative work is written?</li> <li>Do my entries critically reflect on how my creative work meets/matches/diverts from what I set out to do (as stated in my Proposal)?</li> <li>Have I supported my reflections with scholarly work?</li> <li>Have I incorporated the formatting and citation standards consistent with the Harvard (author-date) system?</li> </ul>	Due: Critical Reflection Journal a) Contribute an entry to the unit Moodle 'Development and Revision' discussion board b) Finalise your 'Creative writing journal' and match your entries against the assessment criteria to ensure your work meets the requirements for the item  <b>Written Assessment - Critical Reflection Journal</b> Due: Week 11 Friday (26 May 2017) 5:00 pm AEST

**Week 12 - 29 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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## Conclusion

See Unit Moodle Site  
Creative Artefact (considerations):

- Does my work reflect my capacity to successfully incorporate literary elements such as point of view, characterisation, plot, etc.?
- Do my work reflect the literary elements of the genre and form in which the creative work claims to be written?
- Does my creative work meet/matches/diverts from what I set out to do (as stated in my Proposal)?
- Have I supported my application of literary techniques with the scholarly work and writing activities prescribed throughout this unit?
- Have I incorporated the formatting and citation standards consistent with the Harvard (author-date) system (where necessary)?
- Is my final work thoroughly edited and flawlessly presented?
- Have I included a copy of the Proposal (Assessment Item 1) with my submission for Assessment Item 3 (placed either at the very beginning, or on the final page/s of the Creative Artefact)?

Due: Final Creative Artefact (that is, the creative work).  
Finalise your 'Creative artefact' and match your submission against the assessment criteria to ensure your work meets the requirements for the item.

**Written Assessment - Final Creative Piece (Creative Artefact)**  
Due: Week 12 Friday (2 June 2017)  
5:00 pm AEST

## Review/Exam Week - 05 Jun 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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## Exam Week - 12 Jun 2017

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

### 1 Written Assessment - Proposal

#### Assessment Type

Written Assessment

#### Task Description

##### Task Description:

Students are required to develop a 500 - 700 word 'Proposal'. The 'Proposal' will include an outline describing the basic themes, plot/story line or concept of the writing project to be undertaken over the Term.

The type of detail included in the proposal depends on the type of artefact intended. For instance, perhaps you would like to write a short story, or perhaps some poems for a book of poetry, or the first few scenes of a dramatic script for a theatre production, etc. In each case, given your work for this unit will be geared toward writing your first chapter/poems/script, your proposal will need to position the chapter/scenes/poems as sitting within the conceptual idea a larger body of work - a book of poems, a script or a novel, etc - while focusing the most attention on what you actually plan to achieve within this unit proper.

The aim of the Proposal is twofold: a) to show how the student has investigated and thought carefully about a chosen topic; and b) to ensure the writing piece will be developed and written in a suitable, achievable, and appropriate way.

The Proposal is therefore in-part a negotiation of the creative writing topic with your supervisor (Dr Nicole Anae).

The Proposal is worth 20% of your overall graded and it is a condition of the unit that the item must be submitted, approved and passed.

#### Assessment Due Date

Week 2 Friday (17 Mar 2017) 5:00 pm AEST

#### Return Date to Students

Week 4 Friday (31 Mar 2017)

Assessment will be returned to students as soon as practicable after the end of the examination period.

### **Weighting**

20%

### **Assessment Criteria**

The project proposal will be assessed according to the extent to which:

1. the proposal evidences that it will carry-out a clearly articulated set of outcomes in reference to the genre and form of the writing project (e.g., writing the first chapter of a novel, writing a series of ten poems, writing a dramatic script, writing a short story, writing a children's book, etc.);
2. the proposal identifies the specific style in which the content of the creative artefact will be written (e.g., fantasy, magic realism, horror, Gothic, paranormal, realism, historical, etc.);
3. the proposal of the creative artefact represents an original piece of writing according to the chosen genre, and is of an achievable standard shown via a week-by-week timeline indicating what is to be undertaken and when in the writing process (including milestones, e.g., benchmarks achieved leading up to your Final Draft);
4. the proposal is presented in a flawless literary presentation, formatting and referencing ([Harvard Author-Date system](#));
5. includes at least 5 references identified as important in ensuring that your creative artefact is informed by the literary and stylistic conventions of your chosen genre and specified style in which the content will be written.

### **Referencing Style**

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

### **Submission**

Online

### **Submission Instructions**

Refer to supervisor.

### **Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Develop and realise a planned writing project and manage any problems in its implementation
- Critically evaluate published academic research in contemporary creative writing theory
- Identify secondary data sources and review extant literature to develop a theoretical framework for the planned writing project
- Prepare a critical reflection based on the planned writing project
- Complete practical exercises and apply learned techniques in the planned writing project.

### **Graduate Attributes**

- Knowledge
- Communication
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills
- Research
- Self-management
- Ethical and Professional Responsibility
- Leadership

## **2 Written Assessment - Critical Reflection Journal**

### **Assessment Type**

Written Assessment

### **Task Description**

Please refer to the unit moodle site for detailed information.

**Critical Reflection Journal:** Students are required to reflect weekly on their writing progress with specific reference to their experiences throughout the creative writing process. The reflective journal must discuss in a critical way how the final written piece (the creative artefact) is being/has been shaped by the various factors effecting the process of literary creation.

Students can complete their reflective journal as a blog if desired (using the weekly topic forums on the unit moodle site) or submit as a word document.

Students weekly reflections must account for the period Week 2 until Week 11 (10 weeks in total).

Each weekly reflection response is worth 3.5 marks.

Word limit: Each response should be between 200-275 words in total (references are not included in the word count).

### **Assessment Due Date**

Week 11 Friday (26 May 2017) 5:00 pm AEST

**Return Date to Students**

Review/Exam Week Friday (9 June 2017)

**Weighting**

35%

**Assessment Criteria**

This assessment will be evaluated on the extent to which it demonstrates:

1. Critical reflection regarding the ways in which the work in progress aligns with the creative intentions set out in the proposal;
2. Critical reflection regarding the ways in which the work in progress is a demonstration of the critical engagement with the writing techniques identified in the proposal;
3. A deliberate and concerted enterprise in seriously considering the factors which have shaped and determined the process of literary creation including; a justification of literary techniques used, a justification of chosen genre and form, a justification of how each step of the writing process has gone beyond simply sitting and writing, but offers insight into how you have critically examined your creative product in the light of contemporary theory and practice (insights each supported by critical/scholarly readings and material);
4. Each critical reflection reflects flawless presentation, clarity of expression - including spelling and grammatical correctness
5. Appropriate acknowledgment of sources and in-text citation using the [Harvard \(author-date\) referencing style](#).

**Referencing Style**

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

**Submission**

Online

**Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Develop and realise a planned writing project and manage any problems in its implementation
- Critically evaluate published academic research in contemporary creative writing theory
- Identify secondary data sources and review extant literature to develop a theoretical framework for the planned writing project
- Prepare a critical reflection based on the planned writing project
- Complete practical exercises and apply learned techniques in the planned writing project.

**Graduate Attributes**

- Knowledge
- Communication
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills
- Research
- Self-management
- Ethical and Professional Responsibility
- Leadership

### 3 Written Assessment - Final Creative Piece (Creative Artefact)

**Assessment Type**

Written Assessment

**Task Description**

The final piece must be completed according to the topic proposed in Assessment One (The Proposal), as negotiated with their supervisor. The word count is between 2500–3000 words in total.

While it is acceptable in this unit to allow of a 10% variation (either above or below) the word count, students are strongly advised to accord with word count (taking into account variation limits, e.g., +/-10%).

**Weighting:** This assessment item is worth 45% of the overall grade.

**Note:** A copy of the Proposal (Assessment Item 1) must be included with this assessment item (placed either at the very beginning, or on the final page/s of the Creative Artefact). The Proposal will not be included in the final word count.

**Assessment Due Date**

Week 12 Friday (2 June 2017) 5:00 pm AEST

**Return Date to Students**

Exam Week Friday (16 June 2017)

**Weighting**

45%

**Assessment Criteria**

This assessment will be evaluated to the extent to which the work:

1. Evidences a carrying-out of the points referred to in the project pitch/proposal with experimentation and innovation;
2. Demonstrates an original piece of writing of the chosen genre and is of a standard clearly showing indicators for the chosen genre and publication;
3. Showcases a work of a flawless, polished, and finished piece of writing at a publishable standard;
4. Utilises overall clarity of expression including spelling and grammatical correctness as well as appropriate acknowledgment of sources using the [Harvard\( author-date\) referencing style](#) where this may be relevant.

**Referencing Style**

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

**Submission**

Online

**Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Develop and realise a planned writing project and manage any problems in its implementation
- Critically evaluate published academic research in contemporary creative writing theory
- Identify secondary data sources and review extant literature to develop a theoretical framework for the planned writing project
- Prepare a critical reflection based on the planned writing project
- Complete practical exercises and apply learned techniques in the planned writing project.

**Graduate Attributes**

- Knowledge
- Communication
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills
- Research
- Self-management
- Ethical and Professional Responsibility
- Leadership

## 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