



# SAFE20014 Specialisation Project 1

## Term 2 - 2017

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## General Information

### Overview

This unit provides students with the opportunity to critically analyse and challenge the principles, theories, methods, models and paradigms which inform their selected area of specialisation.

### Details

Career Level: *Postgraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 9*

Credit Points: *12*

Student Contribution Band: *8*

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: *0.25*

### 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 2 - 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).

### Residential Schools

This unit has a Compulsory Residential School for distance mode students and the details are:

Click here to see your [Residential School Timetable](#).

### 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 12-credit Postgraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 25 hours of study per week, making a total of 300 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. **Portfolio**

Weighting: 60%

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

Weighting: 40%

### Assessment Grading

This is a pass/fail (non-graded) unit. To pass the unit, you must pass all of the individual assessment tasks shown in the table above.

## 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**

I would not say specifically the course need improving, the student needs to reach out more to the supervisors and to their network to enrich the learning and this can be encouraged by the supervisors at an early stage.

##### **Recommendation**

Regular one on one consultation encouraged and timetabled.

## Unit Learning Outcomes

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

1. Critically analyse contemporary principles, theories, paradigms, models and methods relating to your selected area of specialisation.
2. Develop strategies and approaches that challenge or extend existing models and methods in your selected area or specialisation.
3. Justify changes in perspective and practice in your selected area of specialisation through evidence informed reasoning and critical reflection.



## Textbooks and Resources

### Textbooks

SAFE20014

#### Prescribed

#### **Critical Thinking Skills: Developing Effective Analysis and Argument**

Edition: 2nd (2011)

Authors: Cottrell, S

Palgrave

UK

ISBN: 9780230285293

Binding: Paperback

#### **Additional Textbook Information**

Students should be able to access an ecopy of the textbook from the CQU library. However, limited copies are available and if you would prefer a paper text, please see the CQUni Bookshop [here](#).

[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 - 10 Jul 2017**

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

### **Week 2 - 17 Jul 2017**

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

### **Week 3 - 24 Jul 2017**

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

### **Week 4 - 31 Jul 2017**

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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Consultation with stream specialist mentor

#### Week 5 - 07 Aug 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         | Progress Report 1            |

#### Vacation Week - 14 Aug 2017

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--------------|---------|------------------------------|
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#### Week 6 - 21 Aug 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

#### Week 7 - 28 Aug 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

#### Week 8 - 04 Sep 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

#### Week 9 - 11 Sep 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         | Progress Report 2            |

#### Week 10 - 18 Sep 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

#### Week 11 - 25 Sep 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic   |
|--|---------|--|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         | <b>Critical Review</b> Due: Week 11<br>Monday (25 Sept 2017) 10:00 am AEST |

#### Week 12 - 02 Oct 2017

| Module/Topic                               | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
|--|---------|------------------------------|
| Consultation with stream specialist mentor |         |                              |

#### Review/Exam Week - 09 Oct 2017

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic   |
|--------------|---------|--|
|              |         | <b>Presentation</b> Due: Review/Exam<br>Week Friday (13 Oct 2017) 8:00 pm AEST |

#### Exam Week - 16 Oct 2017

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

# 1 Critical Review

## Assessment Type

Portfolio

## Task Description

Students will present a portfolio of work (as fulfillment of a negotiated learning contract which has been approved by the course coordinator) that evidences that they can:

1. Critically analyse contemporary principles, theories, paradigms, models and methods relating to the selected area of specialisation;
2. Evaluate the effectiveness of current approaches in the selected area of specialisation;
3. Develop strategies and approaches that challenge or extend existing models and methods in the selected area of specialisation; and
4. Justify changes in perspective and practice in the selected area of specialisation through evidence- informed reasoning and critical reflection.

## Assessment Due Date

Week 11 Monday (25 Sept 2017) 10:00 am AEST

## Return Date to Students

Review/Exam Week Friday (13 Oct 2017)

## Weighting

60%

## Assessment Criteria

1. Critical analysis of contemporary principles, theories, paradigms, models and methods relating to the selected area of specialisation - 15%
2. Evaluation of the effectiveness of current approaches - 15%
3. Development of strategies and approaches that challenge or extend existing models and methods in the selected area of specialisation - 15%
4. Perspective transformation and/or reinvention of existing practices, creation of new knowledge and ways of doing - 15%
5. Justification of changes in perspective and practice based on evidence-informed reasoning and critical reflection - 10%
6. Logical and concise conclusions are drawn from the evidence - 10%
7. Presentation is clear and well structured and writing style is impartial, logical and scholarly - 10%
8. Appropriate use of quotations and citations that are consistent with Harvard referencing style - 10%

## Referencing Style

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

## Submission

Online

## Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Critically analyse contemporary principles, theories, paradigms, models and methods relating to your selected area of specialisation.
- Develop strategies and approaches that challenge or extend existing models and methods in your selected area or specialisation.

## Graduate Attributes

- Knowledge
- Communication
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills
- Research
- Self-management

# 2 Presentation

## Assessment Type

Written Assessment

## Task Description

### Part A - Progress Reports (10%)

Students will prepare progress reports as outlined in the Schedule or as negotiated with their specialist mentor and participate in discussions regarding their progress and issues that have been encountered in their project.

### Part B - Presentation (30%)

Students will present an outline of their work at the residential school.

**Assessment Due Date**

Review/Exam Week Friday (13 Oct 2017) 8:00 pm AEST

**Return Date to Students**

Exam Week Friday (20 Oct 2017)

**Weighting**

40%

**Assessment Criteria**

1. Display progress in developing and applying strategies and approaches that challenge or extend existing models and methods in the selected area of specialisation - 25%
2. Display evidence of informed reasoning to justify changes in perspective and practice in the selected area of specialisation - 25%
3. Display critical reflection to justify changes in perspective and practice in the selected areas of specialisation - 25%
4. Presentation is clear and well structured and writing style is impartial, logical and scholarly - 15%
5. Appropriate use of quotations and citations that are consistent with Harvard referencing style - 10%

**Referencing Style**

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

**Submission**

Online

**Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Justify changes in perspective and practice in your selected area of specialisation through evidence informed reasoning and critical reflection.

**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