



# SCIH14002 Research Project A

## Term 1 - 2021

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### General Information

#### Overview

This is the first of two research project units that are compulsory in the CG84 Bachelor of Sciences (Honours) Course. In this unit, you will commence an independent research project.

#### Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 4*

Credit Points: *12*

Student Contribution Band: *8*

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: *0.25*

#### Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Co-requisite: SCIH14001 Honours Preparation

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 - 2021

- Online
- Rockhampton

#### 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 12-credit Undergraduate 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. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: Pass/Fail

### 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 Informal student feedback.

##### **Feedback**

The use of progress reports helps keep students on track and communicating with supervisors.

##### **Recommendation**

It is recommended to continue progress reports as an assessment item and as a means of encouraging student/supervisor communication.

## Unit Learning Outcomes

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

1. Develop appropriate data collection skills relevant to your project
2. Commence and manage a research project.

## Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



### Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

| Assessment Tasks            | Learning Outcomes |   |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---|
|                             | 1                 | 2 |
| 1 - Written Assessment - 0% | •                 | • |

### Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

| Graduate Attributes                                 | Learning Outcomes |   |
|---|-------------------|---|
|   | 1                 | 2 |
| 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 - Written Assessment - 0% | •                   | • | • | • | • | • |   | • |   |    |

## 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)
- Adobe Acrobat Reader (or similar) software for viewing PDF documents.
- ZOOM Videoconferencing software. A ZOOM account is available with your student credentials. We will use this software for any relevant meetings.

## 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 - 08 Mar 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 2 - 15 Mar 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic  |
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|              |         | <b>Progress Report 1</b> is due Week 2 Friday (19 March 2021) at 5:00pm AEST. |

### Week 3 - 22 Mar 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 4 - 29 Mar 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 5 - 05 Apr 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic   |
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|              |         | <b>Progress Report 2</b> is due Week 5 Friday (9 April 2021) at 5:00pm AEST. |

### Vacation Week - 12 Apr 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 6 - 19 Apr 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 7 - 26 Apr 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 8 - 03 May 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 9 - 10 May 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic  |
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|              |         | <b>Progress Report 3</b> is due Week 9 Friday (14 May 2021) at 5:00pm AEST. |

### Week 10 - 17 May 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 11 - 24 May 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Week 12 - 31 May 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Review/Exam Week - 07 Jun 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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### Exam Week - 14 Jun 2021

| Module/Topic | Chapter | Events and Submissions/Topic |
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## Term Specific Information

The ongoing COVID-19 restrictions may impact the progression of your research. If you feel your project and timely course completion will be impacted by COVID-19 restrictions, please discuss these concerns with your supervisory team and Head of Course to determine what alternate arrangements may need to be made.

## Assessment Tasks

### 1 Progress Reports

#### Assessment Type

Written Assessment

#### Task Description

You must submit three (3) online project Progress Reports through Moodle. The Progress Reports will be available on Moodle during Weeks 2, 5, and 9. The Progress Reports will contain questions regarding the progress of the research project and identify any barriers to commencement or continuation of the project.

**Due dates** for submission of Progress Reports are as follows:

**Progress Report 1** is due Week 2 Friday (19 March 2021) at 5:00pm AEST.

**Progress Report 2** is due Week 5 Friday (9 April 2021) at 5:00pm AEST.

**Progress Report 3** is due Week 9 Friday (14 May 2021) at 5:00pm AEST.

This is non-graded (Pass/Fail) unit. Successful completion of this unit may only be achieved through satisfactory and timely completion of the Progress Reports.

#### Assessment Due Date

Due dates for submission of Progress Reports are noted in the Task Description.

#### Return Date to Students

Issues or concerns regarding project progression identified in the Progress Reports will be addressed by the Unit Coordinator in the week following submission of the report.

#### Weighting

Pass/Fail

#### Assessment Criteria

This is non-graded (Pass/Fail) unit. Successful completion of this unit may only be achieved through satisfactory and timely completion of the Progress Reports.

#### Referencing Style

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

#### Submission

Online

#### Submission Instructions

Progress Reports are completed online via Moodle. Due dates for submission of Progress Reports are noted in the Task Description.

#### Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Develop appropriate data collection skills relevant to your project
- Commence and manage a research project.

#### Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Team Work
- 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