



The University of Southern Queensland

Course specification

Description: Master of Health Dissertation C						
Subject	Cat-nbr	Class	Term	Mode	Units	Campus
NUR	9023	44403	2, 2005	ONC	2.00	Toowoomba

Academic group:	FOSCI
Academic org:	FOS004
Student contribution band:	National Priority Nursing
ASCED code:	060399

STAFFING

Moderator: Cath Rogers-Clark

REQUISITES

Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in Program: MHEA

RATIONALE

Students undertaking research need to prepare, plan and implement their research proposal. This course allows students to do so.

SYNOPSIS

This course is the third of four dissertation units. Students will refine their research proposal, implement their research design and collect data.

OBJECTIVES

On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. finalise the collection of data for their research;
2. analyse the data; and
3. demonstrate that the implementation of their research is progressing at a satisfactory rate and standard by presenting a preliminary report for their research to the Department of Nursing's Research and Higher Degrees Committee.

TOPICS

Description	Weighting (%)
1. Continuation of research as contained in agreed learning contract	100.00

TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the 'Textbook Search' facility at <http://bookshop.usq.edu.au> click 'Semester', then enter your 'Course Code' (no spaces).

REFERENCE MATERIALS

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.

As recommended by the student's supervisors.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

ACTIVITY	HOURS
Private Study	340.00
Supervisor Consultation	26.00

ASSESSMENT DETAILS

Description	Marks out of	Wtg(%)	Due date
DATA COLLECTION	100.00	33.00	02 Nov 2005
DATA ANALYSIS	100.00	33.00	02 Nov 2005
REPORT	100.00	34.00	02 Nov 2005

IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

- 1 Attendance requirements:
It is the students' responsibility to participate actively in all classes scheduled for them, and to study all material provided to them or required to be accessed by them to maximize their chance of meeting the objectives of the course and to be informed of course-related activities and administration. Students will normally attend one four-day residential school per year of enrolment in the Master of Health course.
- 2 Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
Students must demonstrate progress in their research to their supervisor's satisfaction to gain the 1 mark available for Data Collection and Data Analysis. Students must submit a report on their research to the Department of Nursing's Research & Higher Degrees Committee. If the committee assesses the report as satisfactory the student will be given the 1 mark for the Report.
- 3 Penalties for late submission of required work:
Not Applicable.
- 4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:

This course will be graded as SP (Satisfactory Progress), I (Incomplete) or F (Fail). To be awarded a grade of SP, students must gain the 1 mark available for each of the assessment items.

- 5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
A grade of SP is necessary for a student to be allowed to proceed to the next dissertation course.
- 6 Examination information:
There is no examination in this course.
- 7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
There will be no Deferred or Supplementary examinations in this course.
- 8 University Regulations:
Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6. Assessment, and 5.10 Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL <http://www.usq.edu.au/corporateservices/calendar/part5.htm> or in the current USQ Handbook.

ASSESSMENT NOTES

- 9 The due date for an assignment is the date by which a student must despatch the assignment to the USQ. The onus is on the student to provide proof of the despatch date, if requested by the Examiner.
- 10 Students must retain a copy of each item submitted for assessment. If requested, students will be required to provide a copy of assignments submitted for assessment purposes. Such copies should be despatched to USQ within 24 hours of receipt of a request being made.
- 11 The examiner may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances.