The University of Southern Queensland

Course Specification

Description: Masters Project 1

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Academic Group: FOEDU
Academic Org: FOE002
HECS Band: 1
ASCED Code: 070303

STAFFING
Examiner: Dorothy Andrews
Moderator: Anthony Rossi

RATIONALE
It is recognised that many postgraduate students need the opportunity to explore or investigate a topic of their own choosing in order to more closely link their professional interests or needs to their course of studies. Project courses are designed to provide such an opportunity.

SYNOPSIS
Students will, under the guidance of a member of staff, pursue an in-depth study of a topic relevant to the field of education, and in particular to the focus of the student's major study area. The type of study need not necessarily involve research but should include a substantial investigating component leading to the submission of a written report. All student project proposals would be the subject of a critical review and final topics may be the result of extensive lecturer-student negotiation.

OBJECTIVES
On successful completion of the project the students will have:

- Demonstrated the ability to plan, conduct, and report on an investigation or other such scholarly activity focused on an issue or topic of significance in the field of education.
TOPICS

Description Weighting (%)  
1. The topic of the project will be developed in collaboration with an academic supervisor approved and appointed by the course team leader. 100.00

TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSSED:

Books can be ordered by fax or telephone. For costs and further details use the 'Book Search' facility at http://bookshop.usq.edu.au by entering the author or title of the text.

Depending on the nature of the study to be completed students may be required to purchase reference material.

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.

In most studies supervisors provide students with a reference list and assist them in developing their own list.

ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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NOTES:

1. Further details about the due dates are detailed in the assessment section of the Course Specifications.

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OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1. Student Workload Requirements are as required for the completion of the study and as negotiated between student and supervisor.

2. Marking criteria will depend upon the nature of individual projects and items may be given either numerical or letter grades.

3. The Unit Examiner is responsible for awarding grades. Projects developed for EDU8353/88004 will be examined initially by the student's supervisor. The supervisor will make a recommendation of a grade to the Unit Examiner who will normally accept the recommended grade once all the requirements for the unit are completed. Where the Unit Examiner has any doubts about the appropriateness of
the grade recommended by the supervisor the project is assessed by a second assessor nominated by the Unit Examiner. The Unit Examiner will then decide the grade taking into account both assessments.