The University of Southern Queensland

Course Specification

Description: Professional Studies Project I

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Academic Group: FOEDU
Academic Org: FOE003
HECS Band: 1
ASCED Code: 070109

STAFFING
Examiner: Kay Galton
Moderator: Mark Dawson

RATIONALE
This course should be undertaken by students enrolled in their final year of study. It represents a "capstone" course, to allow the synthesis of the knowledge, skills and attitudes developed in their course of study into professional practice.

SYNOPSIS
In this course, students will, under guidance of a member of staff, pursue an in-depth project to demonstrate synthesis of particular elements of their degree studies. Whilst this type of study would not necessarily involve research, it should include a substantial investigative component leading to the submission of a written report, or development of instructional materials the nature of which is agreed in advance with the Course Examiner. These projects normally would involve consideration and/or demonstration of elements of design, delivery, evaluation, and/or management of instructional programs. NOTE: Irrespective of the nature of the project undertaken, students will be required to provide evidence of maintenance of current competence in actual instructional activities undertaken during the period of their enrolment in this course.

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

- Demonstrate the ability to plan, conduct and report on an instructional project, or an approved investigatory activity that draws together the elements of their Professional Studies in their degree.
TOPICS

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1. The focus and nature of the project will be developed in collaboration with an academic supervisor approved and appointed by the Course Examiner.  100.00

TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED:

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.

There are no prescribed texts in this course.

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.

Depending on the nature of the study to be completed, students will be required to access reference material which will be negotiated with the project supervisor.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

ACTIVITY HOURS
Project Work 160

ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1. To receive a passing grade for this course, students must submit both pieces of assessment and demonstrate satisfactory mastery of all agreed learning objectives for the course.
2. The final project report in this course will be graded using one of the following letter grades: HD, A, B, C, F or Incomplete.
3. Irrespective of the nature of the project undertaken or the grade received for the project product finally submitted in this course, before a passing grade can be
awarded, students will be required to demonstrate current instructional competence against the criteria listed on the Department of Further Education and Training's Form A, during the period of their enrolment in this course.

4 Assignment Extensions: The Department of Further Education and Training has an extension policy which enables you to be within two weeks of the due date for assignments before you need to contact your course examiner. If you are more than two weeks late with your work you will need to contact the course examiner.