**Description: Dissertation Review**

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**Academic group:** FOART  
**Academic org:** FOA003  
**Student contribution band:** 1  
**ASCED code:** 090300

**STAFFING**
Examiner: Don McMillen

**REQUISITES**
Pre-requisite: AST9020 and AST9021

**RATIONALE**
This course provides a useful opportunity for careful review of student progress on a dissertation. Following definition of a topic and establishment of an approved methodology, a student is now able to proceed with collection of relevant data for the dissertation.

**SYNOPSIS**
Collection of data for the dissertation will depend on topic and method chosen, but in general terms, this course will involve continued review of relevant literature, collection of data and revision of the dissertation outline. Extensive use will be made of library resources on and off-campus.

**OBJECTIVES**
On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:
1. complete their review of relevant literature
2. undertake their collection of relevant data
3. extend or amend the outline of their dissertation
4. commence a first draft of material

**TOPICS**

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3. Revision of dissertation outline

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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.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

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ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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(see note 1)

NOTES

1. Annotated Folio of work with at least two complete chapter drafts. Students will be graded on a "Pass, Incomplete, Fail" basis

IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

1 Attendance requirements:
   It is the students' responsibility to attend and participate appropriately in all activities (such as workshops and consultation with supervisors) scheduled for them, and to study all material provided to them or required to be accessed by them to maximise their chance of meeting the objectives of the course and to be informed of course-related activities and administration.

2 Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
   N/A

3 Penalties for late submission of required work:
   If students submit Dissertations/Projects after the due date without prior approval or documented medical circumstances, then a fail grade will be given.

4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
To be assured of a passing grade, students must meet the requirements of designated examiners.

5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade: N/A

6 Examination information:
   There is no set exam for this course. However the Dissertation/Project will be examined under the conditions set out for the program.

7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held: N/A

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 Early in the semester, the student and his/her supervisor must decide on specific objectives for the course. This would typically involve such activities as writing a first draft of the literature review, writing a first draft of the method section, completing data collection, or other research activities as specified by the supervisor.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1 Students will be graded on a "Pass, Incomplete, Fail" basis.