Description: Selected Studies A

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Academic group: FOBUS
Academic org: FOB005
Student contribution band: 2
ASCED code: 020399

STAFFING
Moderator: Dave Roberts

OTHER-REQUISITES
Pre-requisite: Subject to the approval of the applicable Head of Department (Information Systems) or Head of Department (Mathematics and Computing).

RATIONALE
This course allows flexibility in the postgraduate programmes offered by the Departments of Mathematics and Computing, and Information Systems.

SYNOPSIS
In this course students who are enrolled in postgraduate courses may undertake discipline-related studies. The content and objectives of the course will be determined in conjunction with the supervisor appointed to the course and approved by the appropriate Head of Department. The course encourages students to undertake independent study into the theoretical frameworks and current issues of the discipline.

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

1. appreciate discipline-related theoretical and current issues.

TOPICS

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<td>1. Course coverage must be carefully defined prior to commencement, with specific objectives fully documented in consultation with selected staff.</td>
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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).

Dependent upon the student's approved programme.

(revised & updated edition)

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.

To be determined on an individual basis by student's supervisor.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

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ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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(see note 1)

NOTES

1. The Supervisor will advise the submission date.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1 To be assured of a passing grade in this course students will be required to obtain at least 50% for the assignments in aggregate; at least 50% in the final examination; and an overall mark of at least 50%. Final grades for the course will be determined by the addition of the marks obtained in each assessment item, weighted as in the Assessment Details.

2 The due date of an assignment is the date by which a student must dispatch the assignment to the University, and is normally that defined in the relevant course specification. The onus is on the student to provide, if requested, proof of date of dispatch.

3 Students should organise their affairs to ensure that they meet due dates for all assignments. Extensions will be granted only under exceptional extenuating circumstances, normally involving a significant medical condition. Work commitments would not normally constitute exceptional extenuating circumstances.
Students may apply for an assignment extension either by application through DEC before the due date or by including application with the submitted assignment after the due date. Such applications should be in writing and include supporting documentary evidence. The authority for granting extensions rests with the relevant Course Leader.

All assignments dispatched after due dates without appropriate extension approvals or after approved extension dates may be penalised up to a maximum of 20% of the assigned mark per work day.

Students must retain a copy of all assignments which must be produced if/when required by the Course Leader.

Course weightings of topics should not be interpreted as applying to the number of marks allocated to questions testing those topics in an examination paper.

Unless otherwise directed by the Course Leader, all written and oral assignments submitted by students must conform to the guidelines laid out in the {Communication Skills Handbook}. Any work not prepared in accordance with these guidelines may be subject to penalty or requirement for resubmission.

Any appeal against the award of a grade in the course will be conducted in accordance with University Regulations. These Regulations are published in the University Handbook.