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School of Medical, Indigenous and Health Sciences

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MEDI382: Nature and Nurture in Human Disease

Subject Outline
6 credit points

Subject Information

Spring, 2022, Wollongong
On Campus

Flexible Delivery A combination of online and on-campus or location based components where the on-campus/location component is compulsory

UOW may need to change teaching locations, teaching delivery and/or assessment delivery at short notice to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff in response to the COVID-19 pandemic or other public health requirements.

The Faculty of Science, Medicine and Health

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As a student of our faculty, you will be actively engaged in learning with extensive clinical experiences, use of advanced educational technologies and opportunities for enriching work experience. More information about the Faculty of Science, Medicine and Health and our School is available on our web pages:
https://www.uow.edu.au/science-medicine-health/

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Teaching Staff Additional Information

Please refer to the subject Moodle site for up-to-date information about Teaching Staff for this subject.

Expectations of Students

UOW values are intellectual openness, excellence and dedication, empowerment and academic freedom, mutual respect and diversity, recognition and performance. We will provide a safe, equitable and orderly environment for the University community, and expect each member of our community to behave responsibly and ethically (UOW Student Conduct Rules https://documents.uow.edu.au/about/policy/learning/index.html).

We expect that students demonstrate these values and professional behaviour, both face to face and online, making genuine efforts to complete their studies successfully, arriving on time to class, taking part constructively in class discussions and activities, demonstrating appropriate professional and ethical conduct in all communication with UOW staff and community members, and submitting assignments on time (or completing a request for Academic Consideration in advance if needed).

Communication and eLearning Etiquette

Guidelines on the use of email to contact teaching staff, mobile phone use in class and information on the university guide to eLearning 'Netiquette' can be found at https://www.uow.edu.au/student/learningcoop/software/emailetiquette/index.html

Cyber Bullying

The University is committed to providing a safe, respectful, equitable and orderly environment for the University community, and expects each member of that community to behave responsibly and ethically. Students must comply with the University's Student Conduct Rules and related policies including the IT Acceptable Use Policy and Bullying Prevention Policy, whether undertaking their studies face-to-face, online.

For more information on appropriate communication and etiquette in the online environment please refer to the guide Online and Email Etiquette or at https://www.uow.edu.au/student/learning-co-op/technology-and-software/email-etiquette/.

Related Policies

Using UOWmail https://www.uow.edu.au/student/learning-co-op/technology-and-software/uowmail/

Inclusive language guideline https://documents.uow.edu.au/about/policy/students/UOW140611.html

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Section A: General Information

Learning Outcomes

Subject Learning Outcomes

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

1. Critically review, analyse and synthesise information in medical and public health science that applies to human health and disease.
2. Integrate knowledge of medical sciences to understand how human diseases are identified, investigated and managed by both medical and allied health professionals.
3. Interpret findings from evidence-based medical science and public health research and health practice as it applies to disease prevention and management.
4. Justify the utilisation of principles of ethical health research and clinical practice by researchers and health professionals.
5. Demonstrate and reflect on how medicine, science and health knowledge and skills can be applied in a professional career setting.

Subject Description

Nature and Nurture in Human Disease is a capstone subject that aims to prepare students for a career in health and medicine by using a case-based leaning approach to integrate scientific knowledge gained over the course of the degree. The capstone subject will provide students with the opportunity to apply their scientific knowledge to examine how nature (genetics) and nurture (the environment) can impact on disease processes. Students will gain an understanding of the rationale for current prevention and management strategies commonly used in the health and medical field.

Course Handbook

Information about subject pre-requisites, co-requisites and restrictions as well as course completion requirements and Course Learning Outcomes can be found in the Course Handbook https://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/index.html.

Subject Details: Practical Activities, eLearning, Readings and Materials

Subject eLearning

The University uses the eLearning system Moodle to support all coursework subjects. The subject Moodle site can be accessed via your SOLS page.

Safety Guidelines

The rules below are general rules that are required when participating in labs or practical activities. Before commencing these activities you are to ensure that you understand specific procedures and policy related to safety.

- First year Chemistry students must complete the Moodle WHS Induction (see details below)
- Before commencing any activity you are to ensure that you understand specific procedures and policy related to the lab in which you work and safety in general.
- You may need to review a Risk Assessment and complete a Participant Acknowledgement form before commencing any experiments/practical work. These materials will be made available by the lab supervisor/Subject Coordinator.

- You must inform the Subject Coordinator of any medical conditions which may impact upon your ability to participate in these activities before commencing the practical.
- All Reasonable Adjustment cases must be discussed with the Subject Coordinator prior to commencing the activity.
- Participation in the lab/practical/field/simulation activities may be denied to students who do not abide by these, and other conditions which may be specified by the Subject Coordinator.
- Never use any equipment or attempt any experiment without checking the safety implications with your laboratory supervisor or experienced delegated laboratory worker.
- Undergraduate students are not permitted to work after hours unless there is appropriate approval and supervision.

FOUNDATIONAL Work Integrated Learning

This subject contains elements of 'Foundational WIL'. Students in this subject will observe, explore or reflect on possible career pathways or a work-related aspect of their discipline.

Additional Subject Details

https://www.uow.edu.au/united-nations-sustainable-development-goals/sdg-subjects-and-courses/
This subject aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and is part of UOW's SDG Portfolio which aims to ensure that our students are well informed global citizens that can continue to contribute to realising sustainable development through their studies and careers by being proactive, responsible and educated in relation to how realising the Global Goals will better the world.

Major Text(s)

NIL

If there is a textbook available for purchase, you can find the details at University Bookshop
https://unishop.uow.edu.au/

Recommended Readings and Other Resources

This subject has no prescribed texts. You will draw on the knowledge and resources acquired from other subjects in your degree, with additional resources provided via the Moodle site.

This is not an exhaustive list of references. Students should also use the library catalogue and databases to locate additional resources.

Lectures, Tutorials and Attendance Requirements

Lecture Times *

UOW may need to change teaching locations, teaching delivery and/or assessment delivery at short notice to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff in response to the COVID-19 pandemic or other public health requirements.

Up to date timetable and delivery information is located at
http://www.uow.edu.au/student/timetables/index.html

You can access your personal timetable by logging into SOLS and selecting 'My Timetable'

Lecture Program *

Week	Commencing	Topics Covered
1	25 Jul 2022	Introduction Week
2	01 Aug 2022	Hypertension Case
3	08 Aug 2022	Hypertension Case
4	15 Aug 2022	WIL & RCA Week
5	22 Aug 2022	Atrial Fibrillation Case
6	29 Aug 2022	Atrial Fibrillation Case
7	05 Sep 2022	Dementia Case
8	12 Sep 2022	Dementia Case
9	19 Sep 2022	Depression Case
	26 Sep 2022	**Mid-Session Recess**
10	03 Oct 2022	Depression Case
11	10 Oct 2022	Obesity Case
12	17 Oct 2022	Obesity Case
13	24 Oct 2022	Presentation Week
	31 Oct 2022	**Study Recess**
	05 Nov 2022	**Examinations**
	12 Nov 2022	**Examinations**

* The above times and program may be subject to change. Students will be notified of any change via SOLS.

Additional Lecture Comments

The following are examples of the topics to be covered in this course. *Please note: this is not an exhaustive list and will be subject to change.*

Subject content will be integrated science, health and medicine content relating to the following five clinical cases:

- Hypertension
- Atrial fibrillation
- Dementia
- Depression
- Obesity

A Timetable of Topics will be available from the eLearning site in week 1 of session

Lecture Recording

The University of Wollongong supports the recording of UOW educational content as a supplemental study tool, to provide students with equity of access, and as a technology-enriched learning strategy to enhance the student experience.

If you make your own recording of a lecture, class, seminar, workshop or any other educational session provided as part of your course of study you can only do so with the explicit permission of the lecturer and those people who are also being recorded.

You may only use educational content recorded through the delivery of subject or course content, whether they are your own or recorded by the university, for your own educational purposes. Recordings cannot be altered,

shared or published on another platform, without permission of the University, and to do so may contravene the University's Copyright Policy, Privacy Policy, Intellectual Property Policy, IT Acceptable Use Policy and Student Conduct Rules. Unauthorised sharing of recordings may also involve a breach of law under the Copyright Act 1969.

Most lectures in this subject will be recorded, when they are scheduled in venues that are equipped with lecture recording technology, and made available via the subject Moodle site within 48 hours.

Your Privacy - Lecture Recording

In accordance with the Student Privacy & Disclosure Statement, when undertaking our normal teaching and learning activities, the University may collect your personal information. This collection may occur incidentally during the recording of lectures in equipped venues (i.e. when your identity can be ascertained by your image, voice or opinion), or via the delivery of online content therefore the University further advises students that:

- Lecture recordings are made available to students, university staff, and affiliates, securely on the university's IT Platforms and via the subject Moodle eLearning site;
- Recordings are made available only for the purpose for which they were recorded, for example, as a supplemental study tool or to support equity and access to educational resources;
- Recordings are stored securely for up to four years

If you have any concerns about the use or accuracy of your personal information collected in a lecture recording, you may approach your Subject Coordinator to discuss your particular circumstances.

The University is committed to ensuring your privacy is protected. If you have a concern about how your personal information is being used or managed please refer to the University's Privacy Policy or consult our Privacy webpage https://www.uow.edu.au/privacy/

Recent Improvements to Subject

The Faculty of Science, Medicine and Health is committed to continual improvement in teaching and learning. In assessing teaching and learning practices in a subject, the Faculty takes into consideration student feedback from many sources. These sources include direct student feedback to tutors and lecturers, feedback through Science, Medicine and Health Central, responses to the Subject and Course Evaluation Surveys. These important student responses are used to make ongoing changes to subjects and courses. This information is also used to inform systemic comprehensive reviews of subjects and courses.

1. This subject has been adjusted for blended delivery in 2022.
2. The assessment structure has been altered to suit in-person instruction. An individual assessment has been replaced with a group assessment to reduce individual workload and promote student-led collaboration and resource-sharing.
3. To reflect these changes, the weighting of assessment tasks has been changed.

Extraordinary Changes to the Subject Outline

In extraordinary circumstances the provisions stipulated in this Subject Outline may require amendment after the Subject Outline has been distributed. All students enrolled in the subject must be notified and have the opportunity to provide feedback in relation to the amendment, where practicable, prior to the amendment being finalised.

Learning Analytics

Learning Analytics data (such as student engagement with Moodle, access to recorded lectures, University Library usage, task marks, and use of SOLS) may be used by the Subject Coordinator and your faculty's Head of Students to assist in analysing student engagement, and to identify and recommend support to students who may be at risk of failure. If you have questions about the kinds of data the University uses, how we collect it, and how we protect your privacy in the use of this data, please refer to https://www.uow.edu.au/about/privacy/index.html

Section B: Assessment

Assessment Summary

Assessment Item	Form of Assessment	%
Assessment 1	Project	20%
Assessment 2	Report	25%
Assessment 3	Quiz	25%
Assessment 4	Reflection	10%
Assessment 5	Presentation	20%
	TOTAL MARKS	100%

Please note: Copies of student work may be retained by the University in order to facilitate quality assurance of assessment processes.

A formative assessment activity (with written or verbal feedback) will be conducted before census date - please see UOW Key Dates.

Assessment 1: Project - Digital Media Assessment

Marking Criteria	The marking criteria will be made available on your eLearning site by week 1 of session.
Length	5 minutes
Weighting	20%
Assessment Due	04 Sep 2022 (Sunday in Session Week 6)
Type of Collaboration	Group work
Style and format	A video submission utilising several digital media formats.
Assessment submission	Submit an electronic copy of your assignment via upload to eLearning. Please refer to detailed information regarding submission of assignments on the subject's eLearning site.
Assessment return	Within 3 weeks of due date
Detailed information	Tutorial groups are allocated a disease topic in week 1 of Spring session. Students are required to produce a digital media piece detailing the aetiology, epidemiology, pathophysiology and clinical presentation of their allocated disease topic. Further details regarding this assessment will be provided in week 1 of session.

Assessment 2: Report - (Patient Oriented Evidence that Matters) Research Summary

Marking Criteria	The marking criteria will be made available on your eLearning site by week 5 of session.
Length	1200 words (excluding references)
Weighting	25%
Assessment Due	25 Sep 2022 (Sunday in Session Week 9)
Type of Collaboration	Individual assessment
Style and format	POEM stands for "Patient-Oriented Evidence that Matters". It is a written report in which students are required to select and critically evaluate the available evidence regarding a treatment regime relevant to the clinical

	presentation given for Assessment 1. Further details regarding this assessment will be provided in week 1 of session.
Assessment submission	Submit an electronic copy of your assignment via upload to eLearning. Please refer to detailed information regarding submission of assignments on the subject's eLearning site.
Assessment return	Within 3 weeks of due date
Detailed information	Report based on topic given for assessment 1.

Assessment 3: Quiz - Case Quizzes

Marking Criteria	5 quizzes worth 5% each, totalling 25% of final grade
Length	10-12 questions in 30 minutes
Weighting	25%
Assessment Due	To Be Announced
Type of Collaboration	Individual assessment
Style and format	Multiple-choice questions
Assessment submission	Moodle Quiz at the end of each disease topic.
Assessment return	Within 3 weeks of due date
Detailed information	The content of the quizzes will be an application of content learnt in each case. There are five quizzes; one quiz for each case.

Assessment 4: Reflection - Short Reflection

Marking Criteria	The marking criteria will be made available on your eLearning site by week 8 of session.
Weighting	10%
Assessment Due	To Be Announced
Type of Collaboration	Individual assessment
Style and format	This assessment involves a short reflection integrating the skills developed in MEDI382 and a career path you are considering for your future. This reflection will incorporate knowledge obtained during the work-integrated learning sessions in Week 4. Further details will be provided in week 1 of session.
Assessment submission	Submit an electronic copy of your assignment via upload to eLearning. Please refer to detailed information regarding submission of assignments on the subject's eLearning site.
Assessment return	Within 3 weeks of due date
Detailed information	Reflective writing piece

Assessment 5: Presentation - Ethical Issues Discussion

Marking Criteria	The marking criteria will be made available on your eLearning site by week 9 of session.
Length	20 minutes
Weighting	20%
Assessment Due	In tutorial and lecture times in Week 13 Final submission time: 11:59pm
Type of Collaboration	Group work
Style and format	Student groups will present on the same topic allocated for assessments 1 and 2. The group will then facilitate a discussion with their peers regarding their chosen ethical consideration topic in their tutorial groups. Further details regarding this assessment will be provided in week 1 of session. All students will be required to upload their presentation slides in Week 13, prior to the presentations. Presentations will be held during lecture times and tutorial classes in Week 13 of Spring session. Presentation times for each group will be randomly allocated and will be announced in Week 10.
Assessment submission	Online via Moodle
Assessment return	UOW release of results
Detailed information	Group presentation delivered in Week 13

Minimum Requirements to Pass this Subject

To receive a clear pass in this subject a total mark of 50% or more must be achieved. In addition, failure to meet any of the minimum performance requirements is grounds for awarding a Technical Fail (TF) in the subject, even where total marks accumulated are greater than 50%.
The minimum performance requirements for this subject are:
•attempt all assessment tasks.

UOW Grade Descriptors

The UOW Grade Descriptors are general statements that communicate what our grades represent, in terms of standards of performance, and provide a frame of reference to ensure that assessment practice across the University is appropriate, consistent and fair. Grade Descriptors are expressed in general terms so that they are applicable to a broad range of disciplines. Grade Descriptors are available here https://www.uow.edu.au/student/exams/results/. For more information on the UOW grade descriptors refer to the Teaching and Assessment: Assessment and Feedback Policy: https://documents.uow.edu.au/about/policy/alphalisting/UOW222910.html

Assessment Learning Outcome Matrix

Learning Outcomes	Measures - Assessment weighting				
	Digital Media Assessment	(Patient Oriented Evidence that Matters) Research Summary	Case Quizzes	Short Reflection	Ethical Issues Discussion
	(20%)	*(25%)*	*(25%)*	*(10%)*	*(20%)*
Critically review, analyse and synthesise information in medical and public health science that applies to human health and disease.	✓	✓	✓		✓
Integrate knowledge of medical sciences to understand how human diseases are identified, investigated and managed by both medical and allied health professionals.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Interpret findings from evidence-based medical science and public health research and health practice as it applies to disease prevention and management.	✓	✓	✓		✓
Justify the utilisation of principles of ethical health research and clinical practice by researchers and health professionals.				✓	✓
Demonstrate and reflect on how medicine, science and health knowledge and skills can be applied in a professional career setting.		✓	✓	✓	✓

Submission, Retention and Collection of Written Assessment

Assessed work must be handed in by the date and time listed under each assessment task. All assessment tasks must represent the enrolled student's own ORIGINAL work and must not have been previously submitted for assessment in any formal course of study.

Extensions

Students requesting extensions of time to submit an assessment task, deferred exam, alternative form of assessment or exemption of a compulsory attendance requirement must apply online via SOLS and provide documentary evidence within three working days of the assessable item'ss due date for their request to be considered. For more information please refer to the Student Academic Consideration Policy at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058721.html

Late Submission Penalty

Late submissions will receive a penalty of 5% per day (or part thereof) of the total possible marks for the assessment task for up to ten (10) days after the due date and time for submission (including weekends, and public holidays), or, where an extension has been granted, for up to ten (10) days after the nominated extension deadline. For the purposes of this penalty a weekend (Saturday and Sunday) will be regarded as two days.

No marks will be awarded for work submitted:

- more than ten (10) days after the due date, or
- after the assessment has been returned to the students; whichever is applicable.

In such an instance, a mark of zero and a result of Fail for the task will be applied.
Note: Assessments must still be submitted to meet minimum performance requirements even though no mark is to be awarded.

Quiz Completion

Where there is a quiz component, any student who has not attempted and submitted a quiz within the specified timeframe will receive 0 (zero) marks for this assessment type. The quiz will not be reopened, and no alternative assessment will be set without extenuating circumstances and an approved academic consideration application. Late penalties do not apply to quizzes. If a student attempts a quiz but for technical issues is not able to submit the quiz, students must show evidence and apply for an academic consideration to sit a supplementary quiz.

Collection

Once your assignment has been marked and your Subject Coordinator releases results for the assessment you will be able to access feedback on your assignment within the assessment submission page on the Moodle site for this subject. This will include feedback within the marking guide, feedback comments and feedback files (where applicable) that provide you with your markers feedback on your written work. You will receive an automated notification that your assignment results are available for download / review within Moodle.

You can access feedback on your marked assignment on the Assignment submission page, when marks and feedback have been released to students, please note that the Feedback section appears at the bottom of the page

Your final mark in the assessment task will be posted within SOLS.

Feedback on quizzes, examinations and /or presentations:

Contact your lecturer/tutor/subject coordinator if you would like feedback on your assessment. In accordance with University Policy marked assignments will usually only be held for 21 days after the declaration of marks for that assignment.

Retention

The university may retain copies of student work in order to facilitate quality assurance of assessment processes, in support of the continuous improvement of assessment design, assessment marking and for the review of the subject. The University retains records of students' academic work in accordance with the University Records Management Policy and the State Records Act 1988 and uses these records in accordance with the University Privacy Policy and the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998.

Scaling

Marks awarded for any assessment task or part of any assessment task, including an examination may be subject to scaling at the end of the session. Marks will be scaled only when unpredicted circumstances occur and in order to ensure fairness of marking across groups of students. The method of scaling will depend on the type of scaling required by the circumstances. When scaling is deemed necessary, it will follow a detailed consideration by the Unit Assessment Committee and/or the Faculty Assessment Committee of the marks of the group of students concerned. Scaling will not affect any individual student's rank order within their cohort. For more information please refer to Standards for the Finalisation of Student Results Schedule 1: Scaling Guidelines https://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW039331.html for details.

Supplementary Assessment

Supplementary assessment may be offered to students whose performance in this subject is close to that required to pass the subject, and are otherwise identified as meriting an offer of a supplementary assessment. The Subject Coordinator will determine the precise form of supplementary assessment at the time the offer of a supplementary is made. In some circumstances you may be offered a supplementary exam. For more information about Supplementary Exams refer to: http://www.uow.edu.au/student/exams/aboutsupp/index.html

Review and Appeal of Academic Decisions

A student may request an explanation of a mark for an assessment task or a final grade for a subject consistent with the student's right to appropriate and useful feedback on their performance in an assessment task. A student may also seek further explanation for other academic decisions such as Academic Consideration, Supplementary Assessment or Credit for Prior Learning. If a student is not satisfied with the explanation, or have further concerns, they may have grounds for a formal review. For further information refer to https://documents.uow.edu.au/about/policy/students/UOW189967.html

Assessment Quality Cycle

The UOW Assessment Quality Cycle provides a level of assurance that assessment practices across the University are appropriate, consistent and fair. Quality assurance activities are undertaken to support the continuous improvement of assessment and promote good practices in relation to assessment design, marking and review of the subject prior to subsequent delivery.

Academic Integrity

The University's Academic Integrity Policy, faculty handbook and subject guides clearly set out the University's expectation that students submit only their own original work for assessment and avoid plagiarising the work of others or cheating. Re-using any of your own work (either in part or in full) which you have submitted previously for assessment is not permitted without appropriate acknowledgement. Plagiarism can be detected and has led to students being expelled from the University.

The use by students of any website that provides access to essays or other assessment items (sometimes marketed as 'resources'), is extremely unwise. Students who provide an assessment item (or provide access to an assessment item) to others, either directly or indirectly (for example by uploading an assessment item to a website) are considered by the university to be intentionally or recklessly helping other students to cheat. Uploading an assessment task, subject outline or other course materials without express permission of the University is considered academic misconduct and students place themselves at risk of being expelled from the University.

Students should visit the following University website and become familiar with the University's policy on plagiarism https://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058648.html

Referencing

APA 7 referencing system should, unless otherwise specified for a particular assignment (check Details of Assessment Tasks), be utilised.

The APA Referencing Style is an author-date citation style. It has two main features:

- In-text citations, when you refer to another author's work you must cite your source by providing the last name(s) of the author(s) and the year of publication.
- The reference list which appears at the end of your assignment and includes a full description of each source you have cited, listing them in alphabetical order by the author's last name.

A summary of the APA 7 can be accessed on the Library website at https://uow.libguides.com/refcite/apa-7

Section C: General Advice for Students - Policies and Procedures

Student Services and Support

There are a range of services available to students that are provided free of charge. A good place to get to know services that may be of use to you is the Get Started @ UOW web page, accessed here https://getstarted.uow.edu.au/index.html or search for "Get Started @ UOW". Services available include:

Service	Link to information about the service
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander	https://www.uow.edu.au/wic/about1/index.html?ssSourceSiteId=getstarted
Careers advice	https://www.uow.edu.au/careers/index.html?ssSourceSiteId=getstarted
Counselling	https://www.uow.edu.au/student/counselling/index.html?ssSourceSiteId=getstarted
Student Accessibility and Inclusion (SAI)	https://www.uow.edu.au/student/disability/index.html?ssSourceSiteId=getstarted
Information Tech.	https://www.uow.edu.au/its/index.html?ssSourceSiteId=getstarted
Study Skills	https://www.uow.edu.au/student/learningcoop/index.html?ssSourceSiteId=getstarted

Student Support Adviser (SSA)

If you have a temporary or ongoing issue or a problem that is affecting your study, including issues that are related to belonging to an equity group, then the Student Support Advisers may be able to help. There are Student Support Advisers available to assist students who are studying at all UOW Campuses and in all UOW Faculties. Contact details can be found on the UOW website:
https://www.uow.edu.au/student/services/SSA/contact/index.html

Student Advocacy Service

The Student Advocacy Service (SAS) is free, confidential and independent service for all UOW students. The SAS provides advocacy and referral for a range of academic, procedural and administrative issues. For more information visit: https://www.uow.edu.au/student/support-services/advocacy/

Student Central

Student Central is your primary administrative and information contact during your studies. There are service representatives from Student Service, Accommodation Services, BUPA, Global Student Mobility (Exchange) and Scholarships and Sponsorships.

Our purpose is to ensure students have access to the information they need, at the time they need it. We can help with a wide range of enquiries, some are:

- Applying for academic consideration
- Official documentation requests
- Updating personal details
- Student ID card replacement
- Opal cards and transport
- Education verification
- Fees and charges
- Scholarships and grants
- Digital and printed academic documents

- Overseas health cover
- Studying abroad and exchange
- SOLS password and login help
- Student feedback

Student Central contacts:

Phone	1300 275 869 (1300 ASK UOW) or +61 2 4221 3927
Email	askuow@uow.edu.au
Online	Enquiry Form(https://bps.uow.edu.au/suite/sites/student-enquiry/page/submit-enquiry

Library Services

To save yourself time and enhance your studies: connect with information specialists and resources anytime, anywhere via Ask Us: https://www.library.uow.edu.au/ask/index.html or Google UOW library ask us.

Online Ask a Librarian	Ask questions and receive a response within 1 business day (Wollongong time)
In person Book a Librarian	30-minute appointment with a Librarian
Research Consultation Service	1 hour appointment with an information specialist. Available to UOW academics, HDRs, Postgraduate Coursework, Honours and Masters students.
By phone	+61 2 4221 3548

Academic Integrity Policy

Student Advocacy Service

Academic integrity involves upholding ethical standards in all aspects of academic work, including learning, teaching and research. It involves acting with the principles of honesty, fairness, trust and responsibility and requires respect for knowledge and its development. The Policy can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058648.html

Code of Practice Research

This Code mandates the current policy and best practice relating to procedures for responsible research. The Code can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058663.html

Code of Practice Honours

This Code sets out the responsibilities of all parties involved in managing students undertaking Honours Programs. The Code can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058661.html

The Code of Practice Work Integrated Learning (Professional Experience)

The Code of Practice Work Integrated Learning (Professional Experience) sets out what is expected from students, the University and Host Organisations in providing work integrated learning professional experience programs. It applies to professional experience programs that form the whole or part of a subject or course offered at the University. The Code assists in promoting a productive work integrated learning experience for students and in promoting relevant UOW Work Integrated Learning Design Principles. http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058662.html

Copyright Policy

The purpose of this Policy is to outline responsibilities and procedures regarding the use of third party copyright material, with the objectives of reducing staff and UOW exposure to the risks associated with the use of third party copyright material, assisting staff to make full legal use of the materials at their disposal by clearly identifying responsibilities and promoting copyright compliance. The Policy can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/alphalisting/UOW026670.html

Course Progress Policy

The Course Progress Policy establishes the requirements, definitions and procedures to be used in determining the standards of acceptable course progress. The Policy can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058679.html

Examination Rules and Procedures

The UOW rules and procedures outline exam conditions, student conduct in exams, and the procedures for exam management. Further information can found here: https://www.uow.edu.au/student/exams/

Ethical or Religious Objection by Students to the Use of Animal and Animal Products in Coursework Subjects

This policy provides a framework for recognition of and responses to students' ethical or religious objection to animal use in coursework subjects at the University of Wollongong. For the purpose of this policy, animal use includes killing of animals in experimental work, dissection of animals that are already dead, use of animal tissues, use of animal-derived products (such as sera). These uses are relevant to teaching and assessment. Further information about this policy can be found here: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058708.html

Coursework Rules

The Coursework Rules (hereafter the Rules) govern the admission, enrolment, progression through, and qualification for a coursework award offered by the University. Further information can be found here: https://documents.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW262890.html

Human Research Ethics

The Human Research Ethics Committee protects the welfare and rights of the participants in research activities. Further information can be found here: http://www.uow.edu.au/research/ethics/human/index.html

Inclusive Language Guidelines

UOW endorses a policy of non-discriminatory language practice in all academic and administrative activities of the University. Further information is available from: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/alphalisting/UOW140611.html

Intellectual Property Policy

UOW's Intellectual Property Policy provides guidance on the approach taken to Intellectual Property (IP), including its ownership, protection and exploitation. Further information about the management of IP is available at http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058689.html

Review and Appeal of Academic Decisions Policy

UOW aims to provide a transparent and consistent process for resolving a student concern about an academic decision that has affected their academic progress, including a mark or grade. Further information is available at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058653.html

Student Academic Consideration Policy

The purpose of the Student Academic Consideration Policy is to enable student requests for academic consideration for assessable components of a subject to be evaluated in a fair, reasonable, timely and consistent manner throughout the University. The Policy can be found at:
http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058721.html

The Student Charter Your Rights and Responsibilities

The Student Charter is based on principles that guide all members of the University and that promote responsible partnerships within and beyond the University community.
http://www.uow.edu.au/student/charter/index.html

Student Assignment of Intellectual Property (IP) Policy

This policy applies to all Students (under-graduate and post-graduate) of the University of Wollongong (UOW). It may also apply to other persons by agreement. This policy sets out the approach taken by UOW in relation to Student assignment of intellectual property. Further information about this policy can be found here:
http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058690.html

Student Conduct Rules

These Rules outline the required conduct of students of UOW, and direct staff and students to University Rules, standards, codes, policies, guidelines, procedures and other requirements which specify acceptable and unacceptable student conduct, and the management of alleged student misconduct.
http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058723.html

Teaching and Assessment: Assessment and Feedback Policy

The purpose of this Policy is to set out the University of Wollongong's approach to effective learning, teaching and assessment, including the principles and minimum standards underlying teaching and assessment practice. The Policy can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/alphalisting/UOW222905.html

Teaching and Assessment: Code of Practice - Teaching

This Code is a key document in implementing the University's Teaching and Assessment Policy and sets out the specific responsibilities of parties affected in relation to learning, teaching and assessment, as well as procedures for teaching staff. The Code can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058666.html

Teaching and Assessment: Subject Delivery Policy

This Policy sets out specific requirements in relation to the delivery of Subjects. The policy can be found at:
http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/alphalisting/UOW222906.html

Workplace Health & Safety Policy

The Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) unit at UOW aims to provide structures, system and support to ensure the health, safety and welfare of all at the campus. Further information is available from:
https://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/alphalisting/UOW016894.html