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Unit name	The Health Science Professional
Unit number	700303
Coordinator	Charlise Bennett
Session	2021.1
Handbook summary	The Health Science Professional is designed to enhance Academic English skills whilst exploring different pathways available in the Bachelor of Health Science degree, and the majors associated with Testamur majors including Clinical Science, Health Promotion, Health Services Management, Public Health and Recreation Therapy. The unit will lead students through the compliance requirements of their intended pathway, and map out the process of meeting these requirements. Students are encouraged to develop their ideas and understanding of health sciences and the areas of specialisation they can pursue.
Credit point value	10
Prerequisite/s	None
Corequisite/s	N/A
Unit incompatible with and not to be counted for credit with	N/A
Assumed knowledge	N/A
Unit level	Level Z
Attendance requirements	Students are expected to attend at least 80% of classes. Educational research consistently demonstrates that this attendance level is associated with a high likelihood of achieving a passing grade.
Enrolment restrictions	
Learning outcomes	<p>On successful completion of this unit, students should be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. meet the compliance needs for appropriate key programs 2. identify the direct pathway through to the completion of studies with key programs in health science and consider ways to enhance opportunities for employability at graduation 3. identify and summarise the main points of arguments 4. demonstrate an ability to research, critically read, analyse and make meaning from academic texts 5. produce a well-structured, logical, coherent and cohesive response to writing tasks using appropriate academic language structures.

6. understand the importance of Interprofessional Education (IPE) in the Health Sciences and develop reflective professional practices, and
7. demonstrate an understanding of the key policies and procedures relevant to students at The College and Western Sydney University, such as those around Academic Integrity, extensions and special consideration.

Unit content

In this unit students will learn about:

- Unit and course introduction
- Critical reading and conventions of academic writing
- Interprofessional education
- The structure of academic argument
- Health, growth and development
- Working with children and families
- Compliance for student placements
- Becoming a reflective practitioner
- Health science professions
- Employability, soft skills and volunteering
- Communication using STEPPS & ISBAR
- Making the most of fieldwork learning opportunities
- Working in diverse settings
- Compliance meeting and reflection

Mode of delivery

This unit consists of six hours of workshop sessions each week as well as online activities via vUWS.

Online learning requirements

Essential requirements**Essential text**

There is no essential text for this unit.

ASSESSMENT ITEMS AND WEIGHTING

Assessment for this unit will be based on the following components:

Task	Weighting	Learning outcomes assessed	Mandatory task
1. Log/workbook a. Summary – 150-300 words (5%) b. Compliance and reflection – 200 words (10%)	15%	1 - 7	Yes
2. Research report a. Research report plan – 250-500 words (10%) b. Research report – 750-1000 words (30%)	40%	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Yes
3. Case study a. Case study plan – 250-500 words (10%) b. Case study – 750-1000 words (35%)	45%	2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Yes
TOTAL	100%		

For details of assessment due dates, please refer to the learning guide for this unit.

All marks will be determined in accordance with The College [Assessment Policy](#).

All assessment tasks are mandatory unless otherwise specified. Should a student fail to attempt/submit the first formal assessment task in a unit, they will be deemed to be at risk and will need to follow an intervention plan in order not to receive a Fail Non-Submission (FNS) grade. However, failure to attempt/submit all other mandatory assessment tasks will result in an immediate FNS grade for the unit.

To pass this unit, students must:

- attain an overall mark of at least 50% for the unit
- submit/complete all required items of assessment and activities, and
- keep a copy of all work submitted.