

PSYC90082 Clinical Skills in Neuropsychology

Credit Points:	6.25								
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)								
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2011.								
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 1.5 hours of lectures/seminars per week for 12 weeks. Total Time Commitment: 54 hours.								
Prerequisites:	None.								
Corequisites:	The following subject is a corequisite:								
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Recommended Background Knowledge:	Completion of APAC-accredited psychology studies to fourth-year (Honours) level.								
Non Allowed Subjects:	None.								
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards of Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit Website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/								
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Subject Overview:	A semester long, lecture-based subject focussed on (1) advanced issues in neuropsychological testing in professional settings; (2) principles of clinical interaction, including interviewing and history-taking; (3) diagnostic formulation; and (4) report writing. The administration and interpretation of current tests of ability and personality will be considered in detail, consistent with the requirements of clinical practice.								
Objectives:	Students will gain a professional-level understanding of the clinical skills required for specialist neuropsychological practice. This will enable them to manage cases that are commonly encountered in placement settings. Students will acquire the ability to determine and utilize the clinical approach that is most appropriate for the clinical setting and the individual patient. They will gain an appreciation of the complexity of the patient-clinician relationship, and the important role of the neuropsychological professional in that relationship.								
Assessment:	A 2-hour written examination at the end of semester (70%) A mid-semester assignment, consisting of a written report of 1,800 words on two normal individuals in different age ranges, who have been interviewed and tested (30%).								
Prescribed Texts:	None.								
Recommended Texts:	None.								
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.								
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees								
Generic Skills:	<p>Analysis and critical thinking, through evaluating the complex and varying information that needs to be amalgamated for a successful clinical interaction.</p> <p>Attention to detail, through observation of features that differentiate one individual from another, and appreciation of the significance of detailed observation for effective real world action.</p>								

Written communication, through completion of assignments.

Time management and planning, through organising and integrating multiple demands of the subject.