This sample unit outline is provided by CHC for prospective and current students to assist with unit selection.

Elements of this outline which may change with subsequent offerings of the unit include Content, Required Texts, Recommended Readings and details of the Assessment Tasks.

Students who are currently enrolled in this unit should obtain the outline for the relevant semester from the unit lecturer.
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<td><strong>Unit name</strong></td>
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| **Associated higher education awards** | Bachelor of Education (Secondary)  
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (Secondary) |
| **Duration** | One semester |
| **Level** | Intermediate |
| **Core/elective** | Core |
| **Weighting** | Unit credit points: 10  
Course credit points:  
Bachelor of Education (Secondary) 320  
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (Secondary) 320 |
| **Delivery mode** | Face-to-face on site |
| **Student workload** | **Face-to-face on site**  
Contact hours  
Reading, study and assignment preparation 120 hours  
**TOTAL 150 hours**  
Students requiring additional English language support are expected to undertake an additional one hour per week. |
| **Prerequisites/co-requisites/restrictions** | Nil |
| **Rationale** | **Enduring Understanding**: Curriculum, assessment and reporting in secondary school contexts involve discovery, responsibility and communication between the teacher and their students, and also between the teacher and key stakeholders.  
This unit assists pre-service teachers in the secondary (7-12) context to develop the professional responsibilities required of the secondary teacher to ethically assess, evaluate and report on the learning needs of students in their care. The multifaceted nature of this process requires pre-service teachers to observe, plan and critique current assessment and feedback practices in the secondary school context while also considering ethical issues regarding these practices. Healthy partnerships amongst parents, colleagues and representatives of professional agencies also need to be negotiated to ensure quality outcomes for each individual child, and secondary pre-service teachers need to develop their communication skills in relation to these processes.  
This unit is designed to build pre-service teachers’ knowledge and understandings of assessment, evaluation and reporting, and then to assist them with planning, designing and producing authentic and ethical tools, tasks and strategies for secondary (7-12) learners. The unit will focus on meaningful, authentic and integrated tasks that link assessment with learning. |
Selected readings will be available via the Moodle™ site for this unit. |
### Recommended readings

#### Books


#### Journals

- *Australian Education Review*
- *Childhood Education*
- *Education*
- *Research and Practice in Assessment*

#### Websites

- Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER)  
  [https://www.acer.edu.au/](https://www.acer.edu.au/)
- Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA)  
- Australian Curriculum  
  [http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au](http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au)
- Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)  
- Department of Education and Training, Queensland Government  
- NAPLAN  
  [http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/naplan.html](http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/naplan.html)
- Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA)  
  [https://www.qcaa.qld.edu.au](https://www.qcaa.qld.edu.au)
- Scootle  
  [https://www.scootle.edu.au](https://www.scootle.edu.au)

In addition to the resources above, students should have access to a Bible, preferably a modern translation such as The Holy Bible: The New International Version 2011 (NIV 2011) or The Holy Bible: New King James Version (NKJV).

These and other translations may be accessed free on-line at [http://www.biblegateway.com](http://www.biblegateway.com). The Bible app from LifeChurch.tv is also available free for smart phones and tablet devices.
## Specialist resource requirements

| Nil |

## Content

| 1. Formative and summative assessment in the secondary context          |
| 2. Providing quality feedback for improvement in learning             |
| 3. Assessment and reporting for state and national curriculum requirements |
| 4. Using curriculum in designing assessment tasks and guides for making judgements |
| 5. Assessment strategies for junior secondary (7-10)                  |
| 6. Assessment strategies for senior secondary (11-12)                |
| 7. Legal and ethical responsibilities in assessment and reporting    |

## Learning outcomes

On completion of this unit, pre-service teachers will have provided evidence that they have:

1. identified a broad range of assessment and reporting orientations, tools and strategies, including the use of ICTs, as applied to secondary (7-12) contexts;
2. examined the assessment cycle and reporting process, taking into consideration learners, parents/carers, and other professionals;
3. critically reviewed relevant secondary (7-12) assessment processes, strategies and feedback tools including a Christian worldview perspective;
4. assessed the needs of learners in secondary (7-12) contexts and developed learning programs which reflect such needs;
5. designed and produced valid and reliable assessment and reporting plans and materials (which include the use of ICTs) that motivate secondary (7-12) learners and contexts; and
6. communicated at an appropriate tertiary standard: with special attention to design elements, grammars, usage, logical relations, style, referencing and presentation.

## Assessment tasks

### Task 1: Exposition/Planning

Assessment Task Critique and Construction based on selected secondary school assessment instruments

| Word Length/Duration: 1,500 words |
| Weighting: 40% |
| Learning Outcomes: 3-6 |
| Assessed: Week 6 |

### Task 2: Demonstration

Marking/Moderating Forum – quality processes for secondary contexts

| Word Length/Duration: 500 words |
| Weighting: 20% |
| Learning Outcomes: 4 |
| Assessed: Week 9 |

### Task 3: Demonstration/Planning/Exposition

Assessment Portfolio based on selected secondary school assessment instruments

| Word Length/Duration: 2,000 words |
| Weighting: 40% |
| Learning Outcomes: 1-6 |
| Assessed: Week 14 |
### Australian Professional Standards for Teachers (APST)

The learning opportunities provided in this unit contribute to the development of practice, knowledge and values of the following *Australian Professional Standards for Teachers*:

1. **1.1** Physical, social and intellectual development and characteristics of students
3. **3.4** Select and use resources
5. **5.4** Interpret student data

Successful completion of this unit will provide significant evidence about the following *Australian Professional Standards for Teachers*:

### Graduate Teacher Standards | Learning Outcomes | Assessment Tasks
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3.1 **Set learning goals that provide achievable challenges for students of varying abilities and characteristics.** | 5 | 3
5.1 **Demonstrate understanding of assessment strategies, including informal and formal, diagnostic, formative and summative approaches to assess student learning.** | 1, 2, 4, 5 | 1, 3
5.2 **Demonstrate an understanding of the purpose of providing timely and appropriate feedback to students about their learning.** | 1, 3, 5 | 3
5.3 **Demonstrate understanding of assessment moderation and its application to support consistent and comparable judgements of student learning.** | 1, 2, 4, 5 | 2, 3
5.5 **Demonstrate understanding of a range of strategies for reporting to students and parents/carers and the purpose of keeping accurate and reliable records of student achievement.** | 1, 2, 4, 5 | 2, 3

### Unit summary

This unit relates to the professional responsibilities of the secondary teacher to assess, evaluate and report on the learning needs of secondary students in their care in an ethical manner. This is done on the basis of contextual analysis, philosophical judgement, program planning, resource evaluation, judgement of the quality of learning experiences and consideration of developmentally, culturally and socially appropriate practices for secondary contexts.