

## Unit Information Guide (UIG)

### UIG = Summarised success details

Your Unit Information Guide (UIG) provides an important overview of your unit. The UIG provides all the essential details identifying what you need to succeed in your unit including the unit timetable and the assessment requirements. The following sections outline the important information in the UIG.

### Graduate attributes and unit learning outcomes

In addition to the anticipated learning outcomes for your unit, Southern Cross University seeks to develop additional skills, values and attitudes that increase graduates' chances of gaining employment and advancing lifelong learning. Reading this section will help you to understand the purpose of your study material and tasks. Additionally, it will help you understand why the unit content and assessment tasks have been structured in a particular way to achieve the broader aims of developing important graduate attributes beyond basic unit knowledge.

### Study material, other resources and what they are for

All your prescribed and recommended study material and other learning resources are listed in the UIG. There is also information on how to access them and a brief explanation of their PURPOSE. More readings may be available in a separate Study Guide.

### What is in this guide

An overview of the Unit Information Guide and why this information provides a vitally important summation of the unit to help you succeed.

### Estimated workload

This section identifies the delivery mode(s) the course will use and estimates the number of hours involved. It also indicates the number of hours of personal study you are expected to do.

### Assessment task details and requirements

This is a very valuable and useful section for you which provides a clear summary of the assessment tasks you need to complete, when they are due and the relative percentage weighting of each task. However, there is a lot more to know about an assessment task than the question/task alone. This assessment section provides specific assessment advice such as the due dates, format, word length, weighting and referencing style. You will also generally be given a set of marking criteria. This is what markers use to grade your assessment task so it is good practice to use these criteria as a checklist when you are undertaking your assignment AND again before you submit your assignment. There is usually also information about which unit objectives the assessment task is linked to.

### A suggested study timetable

This is at the end of most UIGs, with a guide to the topics/modules and readings you are expected to have covered each week, as well as due dates for assignments.

This will help you to be well prepared for lectures, tutorials and assessment tasks so you remain on track with your studies.



**Top Tip:** Print out the Assessment Overview page and the Timetable page and put next to your computer, or in your study folder to keep you focused on your required weekly study and your assessment tasks and due dates.