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# **General Information**

### Overview

The unit provides a practical 'hands on' learning context through which Textile Technology processes and production skills and knowledge are applied to creatively respond to textile design challenges. It engages with practical, theoretical and pedagogical aspects of Textile Technology as appropriate discipline content knowledge for teaching Home Economics and Design and Technologies in secondary schools.

### **Details**

Career Level: Undergraduate

Unit Level: Level 1 Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

# Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

There are no requisites for this unit.

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the <u>Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)</u>.

# Offerings For Term 2 - 2024

• Mixed Mode

# Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

### Website

This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.

# Class and Assessment Overview

### Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

# Class Timetable

#### **Regional Campuses**

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

#### **Metropolitan Campuses**

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

### **Assessment Overview**

1. Practical Assessment

Weighting: Pass/Fail

2. Written Assessment

Weighting: 40% 3. **Portfolio** Weighting: 60%

# Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the <u>University's Grades and Results Policy</u> for more details of interim results and final grades.

# **CQUniversity Policies**

### All University policies are available on the CQUniversity Policy site.

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the <u>CQUniversity Policy site</u>.

# Previous Student Feedback

# Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

# Feedback from Student feedback

#### **Feedback**

Adjust assessment workload

#### Recommendation

Assessment will be reviewed.

### Feedback from Casual tutor feedback

#### Foodback

Make Residential School non-graded pass/fail

#### Recommendation

Assessment conditions for grading Residential School will be reviewed.

## Feedback from Student feedback

#### **Feedback**

Unit content and assessment provide "classroom ready" resources

#### Recommendation

Continue to provide useful "classroom ready" assessment and resources

# **Unit Learning Outcomes**

## On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

- 1. Design and create textile products
- 2. Apply theories and pedagogies to teach textile technology
- 3. Explore innovative textile processes and production skills and knowledge
- 4. Investigate ethical and sustainable textile contexts
- 5. Adhere to Workplace Health and Safety considerations when engaging in textile technology production.

Nil

N/A Introductory Intermediate Level Graduate Level Advanced Level							
Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes							
Assessment Tasks Le	Learning Outcomes						
	1	2	3	4	5		
1 - Practical Assessment - 0%	•	•	•	•	•		
2 - Written Assessment - 40%		•		•			
3 - Portfolio - 60%	•	•	•	•			
Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes							
Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes						
	1	2	3	4	5		
1 - Communication	•	•	•	•	•		
2 - Problem Solving	•	•	•	•			
3 - Critical Thinking	•	•	•	•	•		
4 - Information Literacy	•	•	•	•	•		
5 - Team Work			•	•	•		
6 - Information Technology Competence		•	•				
7 - Cross Cultural Competence		•		•	•		
8 - Ethical practice	•	•		•			
9 - Social Innovation							
10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures							

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes

# Textbooks and Resources

## **Textbooks**

EDVT11022

#### **Prescribed**

#### **Nelson Textiles and Design Preliminary and HSC**

Second Edition (2013)

Authors: Lynda Peters, Christine Castle Nelson Cengage Learning Australia South Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

ISBN: 9780170210713 Binding: Paperback

# View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop

## IT Resources

### You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)
- MS Teams

# Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: American Psychological Association 7th Edition (APA 7th edition)

For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

# **Teaching Contacts**

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# Schedule

<b>RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL - Orientation Week</b>	(Pre-Week 1) - 01 Jul 2024
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Module/Topic

Chapter

print.

**Events and Submissions/Topic** Available in Moodle: Instruction OnGuard Modules to be completed booklet, sewing kit list to be before Res School attendance.

4-day Residential School (all days

compulsory)

Monday 1 July 2024 to Thursday 4 July

2024

Venue: The Cathedral College,

Rockhampton

Bring to Residential School: • Full list of items in the sewing kit

purchased and pattern booklet to

- Pattern Booklet and cut out patterns
- Textbook
- · Appropriate footwear and attire
- Morning tea and lunch

by the final day of the Residential School.

Assessment Task 1 will be completed

**Portfolio of Textile Techniques** (Residential School) Due:

Orientation Week Thursday (4 July 2024) 11:45 pm AEST

### Week 1 - 08 Jul 2024

Module/Topic

Chapter

**Events and Submissions/Topic** 

Foundations of Textiles Design and Technology

Textiles designers and design thinking Textbook Nelson: Textile and Design, page vii, "Preparing for your study of Textiles and Design"

Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions

Week 2 - 15 Jul 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Working with the Australian Curriculum	Design briefs, general capabilities, cross-curriculum priorities and aligning assessment Writing a design brief Embedding the Australian curriculum into textiles content and assessment	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 3 - 22 Jul 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Digital Literacy in Textiles: GenAI, Web 2.0 Tools & ICTs	GenAl, Web 2.0 Tools & ICTs: how to incorporate them into teaching practice in the textiles learning environment Working safely and ethically with ICTs in schools	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 4 - 29 Jul 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	<b>Events and Submissions/Topic</b>
Educate, Advocate & Inform	The role of a textiles educator Exploring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and/or Asian textile techniques, ideas and concepts in culturally appropriate ways	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 5 - 05 Aug 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	<b>Events and Submissions/Topic</b>
Creative Minds & Creative Classrooms	Creating creative learning environments for students in the textiles classroom Structuring a textiles classroom space to ensure student creativity, productivity, safety and efficiency	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Vacation Week - 12 Aug 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	<b>Events and Submissions/Topic</b>
Week 6 - 19 Aug 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	<b>Events and Submissions/Topic</b>
Working in a Creative and Diverse Environment	Embedding critical and practical thinking strategies into textiles classrooms and assessment Enacting inclusion, inclusivity and inclusive student management into textiles classrooms	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions  Design Brief & Educational Textile Blog Due: Week 6 Monday (19 Aug 2024) 11:45 pm AEST
Week 7 - 26 Aug 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Fashion History & Fabric Characteristics	Historical developments impact contemporary textiles Identifying the properties and characteristics of fabrics and fibres	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 8 - 02 Sep 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Sustainable Textiles	Investigating sustainable fashion and textiles. Textbook Nelson: Textile and Design Read Pages 194-197 and 326-336 How is 'sustainability' defined in textiles?	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 9 - 09 Sep 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Ethical Consumerism, Cradle to Cradle	Re-imagining 'ethical consumerism' in textiles and fashion using the 'cradle to cradle' concept What is an 'ethical consumer'?	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 10 - 16 Sep 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Alternative Approaches to Teaching Textile Technology	Using textiles to engage youth and help them find inspiration	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 11 - 23 Sep 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	<b>Events and Submissions/Topic</b>
The Physical Textiles Environment & Makerspaces	Creating challenging and engaging textiles spaces for students and school communities	Weekly Moodle learning activities contribute to development of assessment task solutions
Week 12 - 30 Sep 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	<b>Events and Submissions/Topic</b>
Being a Creative Instructor of Textiles Technology	What are creative teaching strategies in the textiles classroom?	
Review/Exam Week - 07 Oct 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	<b>Events and Submissions/Topic</b>
		Designed Solution: Creative Portfolio & Textile Product Due: Review/Exam Week Friday (11 Oct 2024) 12:00 am AEST
Exam Week - 14 Oct 2024		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

# **Assessment Tasks**

# 1 Portfolio of Textile Techniques (Residential School)

#### **Assessment Type**

**Practical Assessment** 

## **Task Description**

During the 4-day intensive Residential School, you will use a wide range of textile skills and techniques to construct samplers and display them in a creative multimodal portfolio. The portfolio must be communicated suitably for use as a classroom learning and teaching resource. In addition to building your confidence to manipulate textile materials and equipment, you will learn strategies to organise, manage and teach in this high-risk environment through an experience in a school-based textiles classroom. All practical tasks and portfolio construction will occur during the 4-day workshop. You are required to upload a **self-management checklist with photographs** of your textile products and portfolio pages via Moodle **within 3 days** after completing the Residential School.

Practical tasks include, however, are not limited to:

- 1. Sewing samplers:
  - Seams
  - Hems

- Zips
- Patch Pocket
- Front Hip Pocket
- Darts
- · Gathering interfaced band
- Set in sleeve
- Neckline facing
- 2. Denim bag (design and construction)
- 3. Boxer shorts (block pattern)
- 4. Dyes and Natural Dyes
- 5. Embellishments & Artistic Effects
- 6. Multimodal creative portfolio

You will be supported by your facilitator at Residential School to develop all activities. See Moodle for information sheet, sewing kit list, pattern booklet and self-management checklist.

# Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence agents (Gen AI)

Within this assessment, the use of Gen AI agents is as follows:

No Gen AI use at any point during this assessment.

#### **Assessment Due Date**

Orientation Week Thursday (4 July 2024) 11:45 pm AEST

Portfolio to be completed before end of Residential School. Completed self-management checklist and photographs uploaded via Moodle 3 days after completing Res School.

#### **Return Date to Students**

Ongoing feedback provided during Residential School

### Weighting

Pass/Fail

#### Minimum mark or grade

PASS

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- Create: textiles samplers and products using a range of techniques and materials
- **Perform:** a range of practical skills
- Select: designs, materials and techniques to satisfy task requirements and includes sustainability considerations
- Communicate: information and instructions suitable for secondary school audiences
- Manage: plans and resources
- Comply: Workplace Health and Safety requirements suitable for sewing environments

### **Referencing Style**

• American Psychological Association 7th Edition (APA 7th edition)

#### **Submission**

Offline Online

#### **Submission Instructions**

Textile samplers and portfolio pages to be completed at Residential School. Self-Assessment checklist with photos to be uploaded to Moodle by Week 1 Monday 8 July 2024

## **Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Design and create textile products
- Apply theories and pedagogies to teach textile technology
- Explore innovative textile processes and production skills and knowledge
- Investigate ethical and sustainable textile contexts
- Adhere to Workplace Health and Safety considerations when engaging in textile technology production.

# 2 Design Brief & Educational Textile Blog

#### **Assessment Type**

Written Assessment

### **Task Description**

#### **WRITE A DESIGN BRIEF**

Write a design brief that is reflective of the current Australian curriculum suitable for Textiles Technology. The design brief must demonstrate a range of skills and techniques (minimum of 5). As an example, skills and techniques suitable for a Year 10 Design and Technologies Design Brief might include:

- Investigation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander or Asian designs and techniques
- Natural dyes made from food waste (sustainability)
- Upcycle or repurposing (ethical and sustainable)
- Sewing techniques (for example, seams, hems, zip, pocket, darts, gathering, interfacing, sleeves)
- Embellishments & Artistic Effects (appliqué, beading, abstract artwork, embroidery)

You must identify your intended audience and ensure the assessment instrument is developmentally appropriate for either Year 7, 8, 9 or 10 students.

Additional support on how to write an effective design brief appropriate for the Australian Curriculum will be provided in Moodle.

#### **CREATE A MARKING RUBRIC**

You must create a marking rubric to accompany the design brief that aligns with current Australian Curriculum requirements.

#### **EDUCATIONAL TEXTILE BLOG**

Use ICTs to create an educational textile blog that scaffolds the teaching of the design brief. The blog is intended as stimulus material for the target audience, to guide students to create and construct their own designed solution to the design brief.

Weekly learning activities in Moodle will guide your blog entries. Your blog will be a collection of statements, pictures, links to textiles websites, interesting and inspiring images and textile projects. Your blog may also include links to instructional YouTube videos and "conversation starters" that you create and/or locate about specific textile-related design brief topics. How you present your blog is up to you; however, the listed topics in Moodle must be covered. Your blog will become a "resource bank" and interactive online environment for your students to safely explore textile technology in schools. Your blog will demonstrate your ability to engage with ICTs and web 2.0 Teaching Tools. Your blog should:

- Demonstrate a passion for education and textiles
- Be a collection of textile resources and educational tools to support learning
- Reflect your genuine interest in developing experiences that will inspire students
- Document your own learning journey about teaching and textiles.

### Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence agents (Gen AI)

Within this assessment, the use of Gen AI agents is as follows:

- Gen Al content is used to generate ideas and general structures.
- Gen Al can be used for content editing.

Further instructions and supporting learning and assessment materials are located in Moodle and weekly activities.

### **AUSTRALIAN PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR TEACHERS**

This assessment allows you to demonstrate the following APSTs:

Professional Standard 2.1 Content and teaching strategies of the teaching area - Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the concepts, substance and structure of the content and teaching strategies of the teaching area. Professional Standard 2.2 Content selection and organisation - Organise content into an effective learning and teaching sequence.

Professional Standard 2.3 Curriculum, assessment and reporting - Use curriculum, assessment and reporting knowledge to design learning sequences and lesson plans.

Professional Standard 2.6 Information and Communication Technology (ICT) - Implement teaching strategies for using ICT to expand curriculum learning opportunities for students.

### **Assessment Due Date**

Week 6 Monday (19 Aug 2024) 11:45 pm AEST

#### **Return Date to Students**

Week 8 Monday (2 Sept 2024)

It is anticipated that students will receive feedback 2 weeks after submission.

#### Weighting

40%

#### Minimum mark or grade

20

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- **Develop:** assessment instrument suitable to enact current Australian Curriculum
- Use: ICTs in ethical ways to communicate information and instructions in multimodal formats
- Construct: teaching and learning resources that facilitate student creativity and designed solutions
- Select: teaching tools to plan, structure and sequence student success.

### **Referencing Style**

American Psychological Association 7th Edition (APA 7th edition)

#### **Submission**

Online

### **Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Apply theories and pedagogies to teach textile technology
- Investigate ethical and sustainable textile contexts

# 3 Designed Solution: Creative Portfolio & Textile Product

## **Assessment Type**

Portfolio

#### **Task Description**

#### CONSTRUCT A TEXTILE PRODUCT WITH AN ACCOMPANYING CREATIVE PORTFOLIO

You are to create a designed textile solution to the design brief submitted in Assessment Task 2. The textile product will demonstrate your application of technical and practical textiles skills. The creative portfolio will communicate and provide evidence of your application of design thinking including knowledge, understanding, processes and production skills. The purpose of this assessment task is to create a model assessment response of a design brief for use as a teaching and learning tool for students in schools.

To create a designed textile solution with an evidence portfolio, it is essential that you know and understand your design brief. As you develop your textile project and engage in the design process - investigate, generate, design, produce, evaluate - update your AT2 Educational Blog with any additional relevant information, videos, resources or instructions that you think would assist your future students to complete a design brief as an assessment task at school. Your creative design textile solution portfolio must:

- Identify design brief constraints and considerations (for example, budget, time, resources, target audience etc)
- Investigate opportunities to create an authentically designed textile solution that meets a human need or problem
- Analyse and make judgements about characteristics and properties of materials, tools and equipment that can be used and combined to create your design solution
- Include a component in your design that addresses sustainability challenges
- Incorporate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and/or Asian techniques, concepts, ideas into your design
- Create a mood board for your project as a source of inspiration
- Develop your design thinking by including concepts covered in weekly Moodle content such as the Home Economics philosophy, elements and principles of design, and fabric and fibre properties
- Include sketches to demonstrate your original ideas
- Use annotations to justify decisions made about specific techniques used and the selection of materials and resources
- Construct a project plan to manage your project including time, cost, risk assessment, equipment, processes and production
- Take photos of your work in stages that demonstrate the application of safety procedures to safely make your design solution (for example, ironing, machine use, needlework)
- Create a step-by-step guide with images that communicates clearly how to replicate your textile product
- Photograph the final textile product with attention paid to construction details and presentation.

#### Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence agents (Gen AI)

Within this assessment, the use of Gen AI agents is as follows:

- Gen Al content is used to generate ideas and general structures.
- Gen Al can be used for content editing.

#### PROCESS AND PRODUCT EVALUATION

Evaluate the product and processes used to create your designed textile solution. Critique your designs, skills, time management, and your ability to develop evidence for each element of the design process from concept to product. Use the rubric created in AT2 and mark your product and creative portfolio against the criteria and standards.

#### **SELF-REFLECTION**

Include a page in your creative portfolio that is a personal reflection on your textiles learning journey.

#### **WHAT TO SUBMIT**

Choose one of the following options for constructing and submitting your creative designed solution portfolio:

- 1. extend your Assessment Task 2 Educational Blog by adding clearly marked webpages of your creative portfolio OR
- 2. create a hardcopy A3 portfolio, then take clear photographs of each page and submit as one .pdf.

Further instructions are available in Moodle and will be discussed in weekly tutorials.

#### **AUSTRALIAN PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR TEACHERS**

This assessment allows you to demonstrate the following APSTs:

Professional Standard 2.1 Content and teaching strategies of the teaching area - Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the concepts, substance and structure of the content and teaching strategies of the teaching area. Professional Standard 2.2 Content selection and organisation - Organise content into an effective learning and teaching sequence.

Professional Standard 2.3 Curriculum, assessment and reporting - Use curriculum, assessment and reporting knowledge to design learning sequences and lesson plans.

Professional Standard 2.6 Information and Communication Technology (ICT) - Implement teaching strategies for using ICT to expand curriculum learning opportunities for students.

#### **Assessment Due Date**

Review/Exam Week Friday (11 Oct 2024) 12:00 am AEST

#### **Return Date to Students**

Feedback on the final assessment task will be provided prior to certification of grades.

#### Weighting

60%

#### Minimum mark or grade

30

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- Design and create: a textile product that demonstrates a range of practical skills and techniques
- Communicate: design thinking processes and procedures
- Investigate: a textiles solution for an authentic human need or problem
- Select and apply: teaching and learning methods, strategies and resources
- Embed: Australian Curriculum general capabilities and cross-curriculum priorities into a designed solution
- Plan and manage: a substantial textiles design project
- Evaluate and reflect: on professional practice.

## **Referencing Style**

American Psychological Association 7th Edition (APA 7th edition)

#### **Submission**

Online

# Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Design and create textile products
- Apply theories and pedagogies to teach textile technology
- Explore innovative textile processes and production skills and knowledge
- Investigate ethical and sustainable textile contexts

# **Academic Integrity Statement**

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the **Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure**. This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

### What is a breach of academic integrity?

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

#### Why is academic integrity important?

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

### Where can I get assistance?

For academic advice and guidance, the <u>Academic Learning Centre (ALC)</u> can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

#### What can you do to act with integrity?



#### **Be Honest**

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



#### Seek Help

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



### **Produce Original Work**

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem