



PODI12009 Podiatry Clinical Practice 1

Term 2 - 2024

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General Information

Overview

You will develop and refine your knowledge, skills and abilities regarding podiatric patient history, assessment and non high risk routine care including basic wound care. A number of diagnostic fields will be taken into account such as dermatopathology, radiography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), ultrasound, Doppler and bone density. You will have opportunity to apply theory learnt and evidence based practice to aid in diagnosis and management under the guidance of clinical supervision. You will work predominantly with low-risk geriatric patients in the clinical setting.

Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 2*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Pre-requisite: PODI11001 Introduction to Podiatry Practice or PODI12006 Fundamentals of Pre-Clinical Podiatry Practice, PODI12010 Advanced Anatomy and Podiatric Biomechanics.

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 [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

Offerings For Term 2 - 2024

- Rockhampton

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. **Professional Practice Placement**

Weighting: Pass/Fail

2. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 20%

3. **Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs)**

Weighting: 30%

4. **In-class Test(s)**

Weighting: 50%

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 [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) 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 [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

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 Staff feedback

Feedback

Time dedicated to wound assessment and management principles in this unit could be more appropriately spent on foundational podiatry skills

Recommendation

It is recommended that the unit coordinator consider re-evaluating the unit structure to focus more on entry-level podiatry skills in the second-half of the term, rather than wound management principles, to better align the learning materials with the types of patients seen during the second-year internal clinical placements

Unit Learning Outcomes

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

1. Apply the standard policies, codes and guidelines for podiatry practice and practice in a professional manner, demonstrating ethical, culturally sensitive and inclusive behavior in a multi-disciplinary clinical setting.
2. Conduct a thorough patient assessment and implement an effective patient management plan.
3. Interpret results from commonly used diagnostic services in podiatry practice, using professional terminology.
4. Demonstrate proficiency in the podiatric management of common skin and nail conditions seen in a podiatry clinical setting.
5. Appraise literature relevant to the podiatry profession and integrate evidence into clinical podiatry practice.

The Learning Outcomes are linked to the professional standards set by the Podiatry Board of Australia.

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Professional Practice Placement - 0%	•	•		•	
2 - Written Assessment - 20%			•		•
3 - Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs) - 30%	•	•		•	
4 - In-class Test(s) - 50%			•		•

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 Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

Assessment Tasks	Graduate Attributes									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 - Professional Practice Placement - 0%	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		
2 - Written Assessment - 20%	•	•	•	•		•		•		
3 - Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs) - 30%	•	•	•	•		•	•	•		
4 - In-class Test(s) - 50%	•	•	•	•		•	•	•		

Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

There are no required textbooks.

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)
- Zoom Application

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

Week 1- Introduction to Podiatry Clinical Practice, Clinical Protocols, & Clinical Diagnostic Reasoning - 08 Jul 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This lecture will cover clinical orientation, protocols, policies and procedures for the CQUniversity Health Clinic. This class will also cover the process of clinical diagnostic reasoning.		

Week 2- Communication, Documentation, and Treatment Plans - 15 Jul 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This lecture will cover communication, documentation, and Goal Oriented Management Plans prior to your Week 5 internal clinical placement.		

Week 3- Lower Limb Neurovascular Assessment - 22 Jul 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This lecture will cover routine neurological and vascular assessment of the lower limb.		

Week 4- Dermatological Assessment - 29 Jul 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This lecture will cover the clinical presentation, diagnostic tests and clinical management of common nail and cutaneous pathologies in podiatry practice.		

Week 5- Internal Clinical Placement - 05 Aug 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This week, internal clinical placement is scheduled from 8am to 5pm on Wednesday (August 7th), Thursday (August 8th), and Friday (August 9th).		

Vacation Week - 12 Aug 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Vacation Week.		

Week 6- Internal Clinical Placement and Culturally Safe Podiatry Care - 19 Aug 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Lecture: Culturally Safe podiatry care
 This week, internal clinical placement is scheduled from 8am to 5pm on Wednesday (August 21st) and Thursday (August 22nd).

Written Assessment Due: Week 6
 Friday (23 Aug 2024) 11:59 pm AEST

Week 7- Introduction to Wound Identification and Assessment - 26 Aug 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This lecture will cover an introduction to wound identification and assessment.		

Week 8- Wound Management and Aseptic Non-Touch Technique - 02 Sep 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This lecture will cover the principles of wound management and aseptic non-touch technique.		

Week 9- Radiograph and Related Case Studies - 09 Sep 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
This lecture will cover radiography and related case studies in podiatry practice.		

Week 10- Term Review Session and Mock OSCE - 16 Sep 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The Week 10 Lecture will be a revision session in preparation for your Week 11 OSCE and Week 12 In-Class Test. This revision session will include a mock OSCE to assist your preparation and familiarise students with this assessment process.		

Week 11- OSCE - 23 Sep 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The OSCE will occur during the usual lecture time in Week 11.		Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) Due: Week 11 Tuesday (24 Sept 2024) 1:00 pm AEST

Week 12- In-class test - 30 Sep 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The in-class test occurs during the usual lecture time in Week 12.		In-class Test Due: Week 12 Tuesday (1 Oct 2024) 1:00 pm AEST

Review/Exam Week - 07 Oct 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Exam Week - 14 Oct 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Assessment Tasks

1 Professional Practice Placement

Assessment Type

Professional Practice Placement

Task Description

Internal Clinical Placement: You will complete an internal clinical placement at the relevant CQUniversity Health Clinic. The internal clinical placement is 5 days (40 hours) in total. This will take place from 8am to 5pm on Wednesday,

Thursday, and Friday of Week 5, and Wednesday and Thursday of Week 6. You will provide podiatric care to a diverse range of patients. You must submit your internal clinical placement log book at the end of your internal clinical placement on Moodle.

External Clinical Placement: You will also complete an external professional placement at an allocated placement provider. The target dates for External Clinical Placement are between 4th November to the 16th November, 2023 (inclusive). You will have the opportunity to nominate a podiatry clinic for your clinical placement. Please note that you may be required to travel for placement at your own expense. The placements occur Monday to Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. You must submit your external clinical placement documents on SONIA at the end of your external clinical placement. Further details will be provided at the commencement of the term.

Note: Students must have satisfied all mandatory checks (pre-clinical requirements) outlined by the Work Integrated Learning Team prior to attending internal and external clinical placements. Students who have not satisfied these requirements will not be able to attend clinical placement and therefore will not be able to pass this assessment item or this unit.

Assessment Due Date

The Clinical Skills Log Books and placement documents are to be scanned and submitted on the final day of your external clinical placement (16th November, 2024).

Return Date to Students

Two weeks following the completion of your external professional practice placement and submission of your placement log books and documents via SONIA .

Weighting

Pass/Fail

Minimum mark or grade

A pass grade is required for this assessment task in order to pass this unit.

Assessment Criteria

You are required to wear the approved CQUniversity podiatry clinical uniform and to project a professional image at all times. Professional practice placements are pass/fail.

Successful completion of your internal clinical placement is mandatory. You will receive feedback throughout your placement regarding areas that need improvement. You will need to demonstrate that you have addressed these areas and pass your Professional Practice Placement assessment towards the end of the placement. The criteria assessed are found in your Internal Clinical Placement log book.

Successful completion of your external clinical placement is mandatory. You will receive feedback during Mid-term clinical assessment regarding areas that need improvement. You will need to demonstrate that you have addressed these areas and pass your End-Term clinical assessment. The criteria assessed are found in your External Clinical Placement log book.

Note: If you miss clinical placement you should review the Internal Clinical Placement Handbook, the External Clinical Placement Handbook and CQUniversity Work-Integrated Learning / Student Placement Policy and Procedure.

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

Online

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Apply the standard policies, codes and guidelines for podiatry practice and practice in a professional manner, demonstrating ethical, culturally sensitive and inclusive behavior in a multi-disciplinary clinical setting.
- Conduct a thorough patient assessment and implement an effective patient management plan.
- Demonstrate proficiency in the podiatric management of common skin and nail conditions seen in a podiatry clinical setting.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Team Work
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

2 Written Assessment

Assessment Type

Written Assessment

Task Description

The written assessment is in the form of a reflective portfolio/journal. You will be required to write about your reflections 'in practice' and 'on practice' associated with your classes and internal clinical placement. Further details will be provided via the course Moodle site in the early weeks of the term.

Assessment Due Date

Week 6 Friday (23 Aug 2024) 11:59 pm AEST

Submit your reflective portfolio/journal via Moodle

Return Date to Students

Week 8 Tuesday (3 Sept 2024)

Feedback will be provided via Moodle

Weighting

20%

Assessment Criteria

This assessment task is marked according to how well you have met the specified requirements, and in accordance with the assessment criteria to be made available in Moodle.

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

Online

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Interpret results from commonly used diagnostic services in podiatry practice, using professional terminology.
- Appraise literature relevant to the podiatry profession and integrate evidence into clinical podiatry practice.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence
- Ethical practice

3 Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)

Assessment Type

Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCEs)

Task Description

The Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) may include both written and practical stations. The OSCE will assess your clinical knowledge, practical and assessment skills and clinical reasoning. You will be required to discuss (either verbally and/or written) and/or perform aspects of relevant history taking, diagnosis, assessment, treatment and overall management of the condition and/or clinical scenario presented and complete relevant patient documentation. All assessments may be video and/or audio-recorded for moderation purposes. You are expected to arrive at least 15 minutes before the allocated start time for the OSCE and to wear full clinical uniform with enclosed shoes. The OSCE is closed book. More details and information regarding the on OSCE will be made available at the start of term.

Assessment Due Date

Week 11 Tuesday (24 Sept 2024) 1:00 pm AEST

More details and information regarding the OSCE will be made available during the term.

Return Date to Students

Review/Exam Week Tuesday (8 Oct 2024)

Results will be released via Moodle.

Weighting

30%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

Assessment criteria for OSCE: In order to be eligible to PASS the OSCE you must achieve a minimum overall grade of 50% for the OSCE. If you do not meet the above criterion of a minimum overall grade of 50%, you may be eligible for a supplementary assessment provided you meet the requirements as stipulated in the CQUniversity HE Assessment Policy and Procedure and this will be determined by the Unit Coordinator. If you are granted a supplementary assessment then the maximum grade that you can receive is a pass (P) irrespective of how well you performed in the supplementary assessment.

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

Offline

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Apply the standard policies, codes and guidelines for podiatry practice and practice in a professional manner, demonstrating ethical, culturally sensitive and inclusive behavior in a multi-disciplinary clinical setting.
- Conduct a thorough patient assessment and implement an effective patient management plan.
- Demonstrate proficiency in the podiatric management of common skin and nail conditions seen in a podiatry clinical setting.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

4 In-class Test

Assessment Type

In-class Test(s)

Task Description

The In-class test (50%) will be in a form of a closed book class test covering content delivered this term, including pre-requisite knowledge. Students will be required to attend on-campus to complete this class test. The class test will be 120 minutes long.

Assessment Due Date

Week 12 Tuesday (1 Oct 2024) 1:00 pm AEST

This assessment task is scheduled for the Week 12 Lecture time. More details and information regarding the In-class test will be made available during the term.

Return Date to Students

Exam Week Tuesday (15 Oct 2024)

Results will be made available to students via Moodle

Weighting

50%

Minimum mark or grade

50%

Assessment Criteria

The class test will assess all content covered in PODI12009. You must demonstrate that you have gained knowledge and skill in clinical podiatry practice related to the relevant learning outcomes. You will be provided with sample questions during the term to prepare you for the In-class test.

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 7th Edition \(APA 7th edition\)](#)

Submission

No submission method provided.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Interpret results from commonly used diagnostic services in podiatry practice, using professional terminology.
- Appraise literature relevant to the podiatry profession and integrate evidence into clinical podiatry practice.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

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 [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) 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