

ISN501

Ethics and Professional Practice

Unit Description

In **Ethics & Professional Practice** students will become familiar with the requirements of all State & Commonwealth Acts relevant to psychological work, including relevant ethical codes and guidelines. They will learn how to apply the principles of these codes to their work, and consider potential ethical dilemmas.

Textbook

Boyle, C., & Gamble, N. (2014). *Ethical practice in applied psychology* (1st Ed.)

Administrative Details

Associated higher education awards	Duration	Core or Elective	Level	Unit Coordinator	Other Teaching Staff
Master of Psychology (Clinical)	One semester	Core	Year 1, Semester 1	TBA	TBA

Unit weighting as a percentage of the year

Unit credit points	Total course credit points
10	200

Student workload

No. timetabled hours per week	No. personal study hours per week	Total workload hours per week
1 x 3 hour lecture	6	9

Learning Outcomes and Assessments

Learning outcomes for Unit
I. To become familiar with the requirements of all State & Commonwealth Acts relevant to psychological work, including relevant ethical codes and codes of conduct
II. To be able to apply the principles of these codes to their work at all times

Overview of Assessment Tasks

Assessment tasks		
Type	When assessed – year, session and week	Weighting (% of total marks for unit)
Class Discussion and Exercises (10%)	Weekly	10%

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Essay (40%) examining the literature and perspectives relating to ethics in clinical practice. Essay question options to be provided.	Week 8	40%
Examination (50%). Closed book examination of content relating to the lectures, textbook and prescribed, essential readings. Exam consists of 30 multiple choice test items and 2 short answer test items.	Exam period	50%

Delivery mode

Face to face on site; Full-time or Part-time study

Pre-requisites and co-requisites

Successful completion of a four-year, APAC accredited, sequence of study in psychology with a H2A average or higher and passing selection interviews and psychometric testing.

Other Resource and Requirements

None.

**Unit outlines may be subject to change. The most up-to-date outlines will be provided to students once the semester commences*