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UNSW Course Outline

PSYC7234 Professional and Ethical Practice (Clinical) 4 - 2024

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General Course Information

Course Code : PSYC7234

Year : 2024

Term : Term 2

Teaching Period : T2

Is a multi-term course? : No

Faculty : Faculty of Science

Academic Unit : School of Psychology

Delivery Mode : In Person

Delivery Format : Standard

Delivery Location : Kensington

Campus : Sydney

Study Level : Postgraduate

Units of Credit : 6

Useful Links

[Handbook Class Timetable](#)

Course Details & Outcomes

Course Description

PEP4 (Clinical) follows from PEP3, and provides ongoing training as part of the practical component of the clinical program. The aim of the course is to further develop the clinical competencies of trainees and increase clinical experience across a wide range of client

presentations. In PEP4 trainees are required to continue with the supervised placement in the UNSW Psychology Clinic, attend a supervised external placement, and attend weekly professional meetings.

Course Aims

The aim of the course is to further develop and strengthen the Clinical Psychology competencies of candidates, which is achieved through the active participation in client work and regular supervision at the UNSW Psychology Clinic, and at one external placement setting.

Relationship to Other Courses

PSYC7233 Professional and Ethical Practice (Clinical) 3 is a pre-requisite for this course.

Course Learning Outcomes

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CLO1 : Demonstrate knowledge and application of psychological theory in clinical assessments and diagnosis
CLO2 : Demonstrate knowledge and application of psychological theory in case conceptualisation and selection of evidence-based interventions
CLO3 : Actively integrate individual perspectives and cultural considerations into all aspects of client care.
CLO4 : Demonstrate skillful delivery of evidence based interventions including effective engagement and taking a collaborative and responsive approach.
CLO5 : Apply knowledge of psychometric methods to correctly select, administer, score and interpret common psychometric tests.
CLO6 : Demonstrate counselling skills and communicate effectively in verbal and non-verbal forms with clients and other professionals.
CLO7 : Demonstrate self-awareness, reflectivity and cognitive flexibility in client work.
CLO8 : Demonstrate respect for and commitment to the scientific method through evidence based practice.
CLO9 : Demonstrate knowledge of ethical and professional codes, standards and guidelines, and commitment to their application.
CLO10 : Demonstrate professionalism and accountability in all areas of professional activities including concern for welfare of others, responsiveness to supervision and timely approach to clinical work. * The level of competencies demonstrated in each of the course learning outcomes above should be at a level consistent with the stage of clinical training. The expected level of competency gradually increases as clinical training progresses.

Course Learning Outcomes	Assessment Item
CLO1 : Demonstrate knowledge and application of psychological theory in clinical assessments and diagnosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO2 : Demonstrate knowledge and application of psychological theory in case conceptualisation and selection of evidence-based interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO3 : Actively integrate individual perspectives and cultural considerations into all aspects of client care.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO4 : Demonstrate skillful delivery of evidence based interventions including effective engagement and taking a collaborative and responsive approach.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO5 : Apply knowledge of psychometric methods to correctly select, administer, score and interpret common psychometric tests.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO6 : Demonstrate counselling skills and communicate effectively in verbal and non-verbal forms with clients and other professionals.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO7 : Demonstrate self-awareness, reflectivity and cognitive flexibility in client work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO8 : Demonstrate respect for and commitment to the scientific method through evidence based practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO9 : Demonstrate knowledge of ethical and professional codes, standards and guidelines, and commitment to their application.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
CLO10 : Demonstrate professionalism and accountability in all areas of professional activities including concern for welfare of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy Case Presentation • Case report • Field Placement documentation

<p>others, responsiveness to supervision and timely approach to clinical work. * The level of competencies demonstrated in each of the course learning outcomes above should be at a level consistent with the stage of clinical training. The expected level of competency gradually increases as clinical training progresses.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active participation in meetings • Audio-visual session recordings • Psychology Clinic Placement documentation • Neuro/Psychometric case presentation • Professional and ethical practice at external field placement • Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement
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Learning and Teaching Technologies

Moodle - Learning Management System

Learning and Teaching in this course

Following on from PEP3, clinical supervision in this course will provide further practical training in clinical skills of assessment, case formulation and treatment. Trainees will continue to assess and treat clients in the Psychology Clinic (unless already completed) and at one external field placement setting, informed by relevant theoretical models and adopting evidence-based approaches.

Teaching in PEP4 is delivered via supervision and feedback on clinical practice in the Psychology Clinic (unless already completed) and on external placement, via written feedback on case reports, via training seminars and case presentations in weekly PEP and Neuro/Psychometric meetings (unless already completed).

Compulsory activities associated with PEP4 are as follows:

1. Registration and Compliance

Trainees must ensure that they have current provisional/general registration with the Australia Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) for the entire placement period (and for the duration of enrolment in the program). Trainees may also be doing clinical work in NSW Health settings as an adjunct to the Psychology Clinic placement, and are required to have completed NSW Health Bulk Compliance checks and obtained full or temporary verification with NSW Health for placement in public health settings.

2. UNSW Psychology Clinic Placement (unless already completed)

Trainees will continue their clinical placement at the UNSW Psychology Clinic, which includes client work and regular supervision with their assigned Clinic Supervisors. Trainees are typically

expected to attend one hour per week of adult therapy supervision, one hour per week of child therapy supervision, and also child cognitive and adult neuropsychology assessment supervision sessions as required. Additional supervision meetings are also held for those involved in conducting group programs or working with specialised client groups. Trainees are required to keep a supervision log, in which they record topics discussed in supervision sessions. This log should be signed regularly by the supervisor.

3. Professional Practice Meetings & Neuropsych Meetings (unless already completed)

Attendance at weekly Professional Practice meetings is compulsory for all trainees enrolled in PEP4. These meetings are held throughout the year (i.e., not only in session weeks) and are considered to be the equivalent of work-place staff meetings. The meetings are held every Wednesday afternoon from 2pm – 3pm, although the time may be subject to change. In addition, trainees in PEP4 must also attend weekly Neuro/Psychometric meetings. These meetings are held on Wednesday, from 3pm – 4pm.

4. Intake Duty (unless already completed)

Trainees are required to perform 2.5 hours of intake duty per fortnight for the duration of the placement at the Psychology Clinic. Intake duty includes responding to clinic enquires, performing intake interview with potential clients and a range of administration duties. Compliance with the administrative procedures must be demonstrated to be satisfactory.

5. Audio-visual Session Recordings (unless already completed)

Trainees should regularly review their client session recordings and select at least 5 recordings (minimum of one recording each month) to be submitted to relevant Clinic Supervisors for comments and feedback. These submissions should include a brief description of the session content and also self-reflections including aspects of the session that the trainee performed well and the aspects that require further improvement. This process helps trainees to develop and refine their self-reflective competencies in clinical practice.

6. Logbooks

Throughout the program, trainees should be keeping a professional log of all relevant practical work completed. The Professional Practice Logbook entries for the UNSW Psychology Clinic placement are recorded in the UNSW [InPlace](#) system. For field placements, a digital excel version of the logbook can be found on the clinic Teams site and completed logbooks from the entire

placement should be uploaded as one pdf file on to [InPlace](#) at the completion of the placement. Each page of the logbook must be signed by your placement Supervisor as endorsement of the activities completed. Please discuss with your supervisors the frequency of which they would like these logs to be reviewed and signed (no less frequently than once a fortnight). Each entry of the logbook must be signed by your placement Supervisor as endorsement of the activities completed. The Professional Practice Logbook entries for the external field placement is in a digital excel version and can be found on the clinic Teams site. Each page of the logbook must be signed by your placement Supervisor as endorsement of the activities completed. Please discuss with your supervisors the frequency of which they would like these logs to be reviewed and signed (no less frequently than once a fortnight).

Your logbook records should include all practical clinical work, attendance at special workshops, weekly professional practice meetings, intake duty, liaison with other professionals associated with casework, and individual/group supervision sessions. It is your responsibility to keep track of the number of hours of practical work you have done and to be able to establish the validity of your entries. In addition to being a necessary part of your assessment, you will find your personal log of professional activities and experience extremely helpful when compiling job applications in the future.

7. External (Field) Placement

Concurrent with a placement in the Psychology Clinic (unless the internal placement has been completed), trainees also complete an external field placement. Typically, these external field placements are 40 days long and completed by attending two days per week for a period of 20 weeks. Some variation of the typical placement program may be negotiated on a case-by-case basis, e.g. one day per week for 40 weeks.

8. Psychology Clinic and Field Placement Documentation

Trainees are required to submit, where relevant, copies of their Supervision Contract, Mid and End Placement Review Reports (for both adult and child work) and copies of their signed placement logbooks to the Clinic Director or Placement Coordinator as soon as these documents have been completed and signed off by the relevant supervisors. Trainees are also required to submit a copy of the Mid-Placement Trainee Self-Evaluation Form to their supervisors at least one week prior to the Mid Placement Review meeting.

NB – please consult relevant sections of the *Professional Practice Guidelines* booklet and

the *Clinic Handbook* for more information about the procedures involved in working in the Psychology Clinic. Please consult the *Guidelines for the Completion of Field Placements* for more information about completing field placements.

Assessments

Assessment Structure

Assessment Item	Weight	Relevant Dates
Therapy Case Presentation Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Completed in previous Term
Case report Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Completed in previous Term
Field Placement documentation Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: As documents become available
Active participation in meetings Assessment Format: Individual	12%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Completed in previous Term
Audio-visual session recordings Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Completed in previous Term
Psychology Clinic Placement documentation Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Completed in previous Term
Neuro/Psychometric case presentation Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Completed in previous Term
Professional and ethical practice at external field placement Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Throughout duration of placement
Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement Assessment Format: Individual	11%	Start Date: Not Applicable Due Date: Completed in previous Term

Assessment Details

Therapy Case Presentation

Assessment Overview

You will be required to do a verbal presentation on one adult or child therapy client case seen by you for at least four sessions. The presentation should include a description of the presenting issues, relevant background, diagnoses, case formulation and treatment process. Further information can be found in the Professional Practice Guidelines document. You will be rostered to present at the weekly Professional Practice meetings and feedback is typically given through a marked rubric.

All assessments use competency-based standards. You must receive satisfactory on all assessment items to pass the course.

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- CLO6 : Demonstrate counselling skills and communicate effectively in verbal and non-verbal forms with clients and other professionals.
- CLO7 : Demonstrate self-awareness, reflectivity and cognitive flexibility in client work.
- CLO8 : Demonstrate respect for and commitment to the scientific method through evidence based practice.
- CLO9 : Demonstrate knowledge of ethical and professional codes, standards and guidelines, and commitment to their application.
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Assessment information

This is not required if the Internal Placement for PEP4 has been completed.

Case report

Assessment Overview

You will be required to submit one de-identified case report (maximum 2500 words) detailing your clinical work with one client seen for at least four sessions. See Professional Practice Guidelines for further information on preparing case reports. You will need to submit your case reports via email to the course convenor (or advised otherwise) as one pdf document including a cover sheet and without the name of the candidate. The pdf file name should include the candidate's zID and case report type as "zID_PEP4_CaseReport_NA/CCA/AT/CT".

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Assessment information

This is not required in PEP4 if the trainee has already submitted their case report during their Internal Placement

Field Placement documentation

Assessment Overview

You are required to submit, where relevant, copies of your Supervision Contract, Mid and End Placement Review Reports (for both adult and child work) and Trainee Self-Assessments through the UNSW InPlace system. You will also need to log all your placement activities in InPlace and forward these entries to your primary supervisor for verification.

All assessments use competency-based standards. You must receive satisfactory on all assessment items to pass the course.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CLO1 : Demonstrate knowledge and application of psychological theory in clinical assessments and diagnosis
- CLO2 : Demonstrate knowledge and application of psychological theory in case

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Active participation in meetings

Assessment Overview

You must attend and actively participate in 80% of clinic PEP/psychometric meetings to ensure that you are consistently working towards achieving the professional graduate competencies for specialised areas of practice as per the APAC Accreditation Standards. Any absence must be accompanied by a medical certificate or other reason for absence. Additional self-study material and assessment tasks may be assigned by the Course Convenor to ensure you have covered any material missed as a result of being absent from workshops or meetings.

All assessments use competency-based standards. You must receive satisfactory on all assessment items to pass the course.

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Assessment information

Attendance at PEP meetings is not required if the trainee has already completed their Internal Placement

Audio-visual session recordings

Assessment Overview

You will be required to submit client session recordings (around 20 minutes in length) to your clinic supervisors alongside self-reflections on the recordings. The recordings must include different session types across different age groups (e.g., assessment/therapy, child/adult). Candidates must submit at least one recording per month while on placement. Feedback is typically given verbally by your supervisors during supervision sessions.

All assessments use competency-based standards. You must receive satisfactory on all assessment items to pass the course.

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Assessment information

Session recordings are not required if the trainee has already completed the Internal Placement

Psychology Clinic Placement documentation

Assessment Overview

You are required to submit, where relevant, copies of your Supervision Contract, Mid and End Placement Review Reports (for both adult and child work) and Trainee Self-Assessments through the UNSW InPlace system. You will also need to log all your placement activities in InPlace and forward these entries to your primary supervisor for verification.

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Assessment information

Trainees are required to submit supervision contracts, mid placement, end placement and trainee self assessment reports via InPlace. Trainees are also responsible for submitting a log of their placement activity verified by their placement supervisor..

Neuro/Psychometric case presentation

Assessment Overview

You will be required to do a verbal presentation on one neuropsychology or psychometric assessment client case completed by you. The presentation should include a description of the presenting issues, relevant background, description and interpretation of assessments results, assessment summary and conclusions. Further information can be found in the Professional Practice Guidelines document. You will be rostered to present at the weekly neuro/psychometric meetings and feedback is typically given through a marked rubric.

All assessments use competency-based standards. You must receive satisfactory on all assessment items to pass the course.

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Assessment information

Case presentations are not required if the Internal Placement has been completed

Professional and ethical practice at external field placement

Assessment Overview

You will need to demonstrate satisfactory professional and ethical practice on placement at one external placement site, including a variety of direct client work, attendance at scheduled supervision and completion of all administrative duties to a satisfactory level. Your clinical and professional competencies will be formally assessed by your placement supervisor(s) at mid and end placement review periods using standardised Clinical Psychology competency assessment rating tools. Feedback will be given by your supervisor(s) through supervisor reports and discussed during review meetings.

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Professional and ethical practice in UNSW Psychology Clinic placement

Assessment Overview

You will need to demonstrate satisfactory professional and ethical practice on placement in the UNSW Psychology Clinic, including timely completion of all client work, attendance at scheduled supervision and intake sessions, attendance at professional meetings and completion of all intake and administrative duties to a satisfactory level. See the Professional Practice Guidelines document for further information. Your clinical and professional competencies will be formally assessed by your supervisors at mid and end placement review periods using standardised Clinical Psychology competency assessment rating tools. Feedback will be given by your supervisors through supervisor reports and discussed during review meetings.

All assessments use competency-based standards. You must receive satisfactory on all assessment items to pass the course.

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Assessment information

There is no requirement to attend the UNSW Psychology Clinic if the Internal Placement has already been completed.

General Assessment Information

All assessments use competency-based standards. You must receive satisfactory on all assessment items to pass the course. **Where a candidate is awarded an unsatisfactory grade (i.e., the course is failed), none of the client hours accrued during this course will be counted towards the final number of clinical hours required.**

Should a candidate fail any course (including Professional and Ethical Practice), they will be permitted to re-enrol in that course at the discretion of the Program Director. Should the candidate fail the course the second time, the Program Director will recommend that their place in the program be terminated. That is, a candidate may only attempt each course twice as a maximum.

Grading Basis

Satisfactory

Requirements to pass course

Must be satisfactory across all assessment items.

Course Schedule

Attendance Requirements

Please note that lecture recordings are not available for this course. Students are strongly encouraged to attend all classes and contact the Course Authority to make alternative arrangements for classes missed.

General Schedule Information

PSYC7234 offered in Term 2 of any year is only taken by candidates in the combined MPsych(Clin)/PhD program. By this point, candidates should have completed all assessment items associated with the UNSW Psychology Clinic placement and only have two assessments associated with their external field placement (Field placement documentation and Professional and ethical practice at external field placement) outstanding.

Given the professional training nature of the course, teaching and placement activities can occur outside of the standard term dates and times. Please check the specific dates and times of activities in the Course Schedule carefully.

Candidates undertaking PSYC7234 in Term 2 of 2024 should complete all workshops (and assessment relating to workshop attendance and participation) offered under PSYC7235 in Term 2 of 2024.

Course Resources

Course Evaluation and Development

All candidates will have the opportunity to provide feedback via the UNSW MyExperience survey. Candidates will also be invited to provide feedback while on placement through their supervisors, Placement Coordinator and Clinic Director.

Staff Details

Position	Name	Email	Location	Phone	Availability	Equitable Learning Services Contact	Primary Contact
Convenor	Shane Vassal Io		MAT804	9065 7756		Yes	Yes
	Chien Gooi		MAT805	9065 7754		No	No

Other Useful Information

Academic Information

Upon your enrolment at UNSW, you share responsibility with us for maintaining a safe, harmonious and tolerant University environment.

You are required to:

- Comply with the University's conditions of enrolment.
- Act responsibly, ethically, safely and with integrity.
- Observe standards of equity and respect in dealing with every member of the UNSW community.
- Engage in lawful behaviour.
- Use and care for University resources in a responsible and appropriate manner.
- Maintain the University's reputation and good standing.

For more information, visit the [UNSW Student Code of Conduct Website](#).

Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Referencing is a way of acknowledging the sources of information that you use to research your assignments. You need to provide a reference whenever you draw on someone else's words, ideas or research. Not referencing other people's work can constitute plagiarism.

Further information about referencing styles can be located at <https://student.unsw.edu.au/referencing>

Academic integrity is fundamental to success at university. Academic integrity can be defined as a commitment to six fundamental values in academic pursuits: honesty, trust, fairness, respect, responsibility and courage. At UNSW, this means that your work must be your own, and others' ideas should be appropriately acknowledged. If you don't follow these rules, plagiarism may be detected in your work.

Further information about academic integrity, plagiarism and the use of AI in assessments can be located at:

- The [Current Students site](#),
- The [ELISE training site](#), and
- The [Use of AI for assessments](#) site.

The Student Conduct and Integrity Unit provides further resources to assist you to understand your conduct obligations as a student: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/conduct>

Submission of Assessment Tasks

Penalty for Late Submissions

UNSW has a standard late submission penalty of:

- 5% per day,
- for all assessments where a penalty applies,
- capped at five days (120 hours) from the assessment deadline, after which a student cannot submit an assessment, and
- no permitted variation.

Any variations to the above will be explicitly stated in the Course Outline for a given course or assessment task.

Students are expected to manage their time to meet deadlines and to request extensions as early as possible before the deadline.

Special Consideration

If circumstances prevent you from attending/completing an assessment task, you must officially apply for special consideration, usually within 3 days of the sitting date/due date. You can apply by logging onto myUNSW and following the link in the My Student Profile Tab. Medical documentation or other documentation explaining your absence must be submitted with your application. Once your application has been assessed, you will be contacted via your student email address to be advised of the official outcome and any actions that need to be taken from there. For more information about special consideration, please visit: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration>

Important note: UNSW has a “fit to sit/submit” rule, which means that if you sit an exam or submit a piece of assessment, you are declaring yourself fit to do so and cannot later apply for Special Consideration. This is to ensure that if you feel unwell or are faced with significant circumstances beyond your control that affect your ability to study, you do not sit an examination or submit an assessment that does not reflect your best performance. Instead, you should apply for Special Consideration as soon as you realise you are not well enough or are otherwise unable to sit or submit an assessment.

Faculty-specific Information

Additional support for students

- [The Current Students Gateway](#)
- [Student Support](#)
- [Academic Skills and Support](#)
- [Student Wellbeing, Health and Safety](#)
- [Equitable Learning Services](#)
- [UNSW IT Service Centre](#)
- Science EDI Student [Initiatives](#), [Offerings](#) and [Guidelines](#)