

## APPLIED RESEARCH AND PORTFOLIO DEVELOPMENT

### Course Outline

Course Number: COMM66

In this course, students will learn the role of the university, develop an integrated view of academic disciplines, become academic "reflective practitioners" and create a portfolio of their best written work from the University Transfer curriculum. Through faculty exegesis and critique of sample research and through group "peer review," students will refine their understanding of the disciplinary paradigms "Literature, Philosophy, Psychology and Sociology" within which they have been developing research, analytic and writing skills. The course will ensure that students begin to develop an understanding of the purposes and aims of academic disciplines, their characteristic insights and knowledge production, and the academic forms of writing specific to them.

### Learning Sequence:

Wks/Hrs Units	Topics, Resources, Learning Activities	Assessment
Week 1	Lecture--Course overview and logistics Workshop--Portfolio development	Performance Assessment
Week 2	Lecture--The University: Origins and Evolution Workshop--Portfolio development	Performance Assessment
Week 3	Lecture--Literature Paper and Responses Workshop--Portfolio development	Performance Assessment
Week 4	Lecture--Literature Paper and Responses Workshop--Portfolio development	Performance Assessment
Week 5	Lecture--Psychology Paper and Responses Workshop--Portfolio development	Performance Assessment
Week 6	Lecture--Philosophers and Pub Fights--Academic Tribes Workshop--Portfolio Development	Performance Assessment
Week 7	Lecture--TBAPaper and Responses Workshop--Portfolio Development	Performance Assessment Portfolio part 1 (25%)
Week 8	INDEPENDENT STUDY BREAK	
Week 9	Lecture--Review of weeks 1-7 Workshop--Taking stock	Performance Assessment
Week 10	Lecture--Developing an Academic Presentation Workshop--Portfolio Development	Performance Assessment
Week 11	Lecture--Student Presentations Workshop--Portfolio Development	Performance Assessment Presentations (10% here and subsequently)

Week 12	Lecture--Student Presentations Workshop--Portfolio Development	Performance Assessment
Week 13	Lecture--Student Presentations Workshop--Portfolio Development	Performance Assessment
Week 14	Lecture--Student Presentations Workshop--Portfolio Development	Performance Assessment Portfolio part 2(25%)
Week 15	Lecture--Test Workshop--Instructor available for consultation	Test (15%)

