

# LANG 0053 COMMUNICATION SKILLS FOR HEALTH SCIENCE 2 (WSTC)

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 900678

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**Description** This subject is designed to improve the English language skills of Health Science and Nursing students through dynamic and engaging teaching methodology. The subject further develops foundational skills students possess and introduces critical analysis. The use of authentic genres and writing techniques common in Academic writing in the fields of Health Science and Nursing lead to the improvement of critical literacy skills related to spoken and written genres which are typical in the Health Science and Nursing professions.

**School** Western Sydney The College

**Discipline** English Language

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 1 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 0 Preparatory subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** LANG 0051

**Equivalent Subjects** LANG 0032 English for Tertiary Study 2 (WSTC Prep)  
LANG 0002 Academic English 2 (WSTC)  
LANG 0033 English for Tertiary Study 2 (WSTC) LANG 0039  
Introduction to Academic Communication 2 (WSTC Prep) LANG 0040  
Introduction to Academic Communication 2 (WSTC) LANG 0003  
Academic English (WSTC Prep)  
LANG 0005 Academic English (WSTC)  
COMM 1027 Principles of Professional Communication (WSTC)  
LANG 0050 Essential Literacy for Construction professionals II (WSTC Prep)

## Restrictions

This subject is only available to College students enrolled in the Undergraduate Preparation Programs.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate an ability to critically read, summarise, analyse, synthesise and make meaning from academic and industry-related texts in Health Science and Nursing
2. Use sophisticated aspects of Academic Writing, including different genres of Academic English
3. Identify and critique a theoretical framework in Health Science and Nursing
4. Cite arguments and evidence using the conventions of academic research
5. Produce a well-structured, logical, coherent and cohesive response to writing tasks using appropriate academic language structures

6. Demonstrate an ability to communicate orally in formal context, including appropriate selection of material, clear organisation and effective presentation.
7. Work effectively in a small group learning environment

## Subject Content

1. Academic and professional communication in the fields of Health Science and Nursing
2. Academic writing skills: developing and applying features of academic and professional language
3. Academic reading skills: identifying, highlighting and applying key ideas, arguments and evidence
4. Academic writing skills: utilising various research techniques
5. Academic Integrity: the importance and application of referencing, citation and paraphrasing
6. Academic writing skills: summarising, paraphrasing, synthesising
7. Academic writing skills: the report writing process including the achievement of coherence and cohesion
8. Critical thinking for academic and professional work within the Health Science and Nursing fields
9. Oral Presentation skills: language and presentation techniques for presentations

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/Group Task
Short Answer	300 words	20	N	Individual
Report	400 words	20	N	Individual
Report	1200 words	35	N	Group/Individual
Viva Voce	Scripted and voiced over power point 4-5 minutes plus 500 words script	25	N	Individual

## Teaching Periods

### Term 1 (2024)

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### Term 2 (2024)

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## **Term 3 (2024)**

### **Nirimba Education Precinct**

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