



## UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA

### EPC616: ACADEMIC PROJECT

<b>Course Name (English)</b>	ACADEMIC PROJECT <b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Course Code</b>	EPC616
<b>MQF Credit</b>	3
<b>Course Description</b>	The academic project paper carries three credits. The course emphasizes theoretical and practical issues in research design and methodology. The research paper should follow the format and conventions of academic research papers. Students are required to collect data, source literature materials and synthesize this information in order to address research objectives and write a complete research report.
<b>Transferable Skills</b>	Demonstrate ability to identify and articulate self skills, knowledge and understanding confidently and in a variety of contexts - Reflective Learner Demonstrate ability to manage personal performance to meet expectations and demonstrate drive, determination, and accountability - Resourceful and Responsible Demonstrate ability to communicate clearly and confidently, and listen critically - Effective Communicator Demonstrate ability to apply creative, imaginative and innovative thinking and ideas to problem solving - Independent and Critical Thinker
<b>Teaching Methodologies</b>	Inquiry-based Learning, Tutorial, Problem Based Learning (PBL), Small Group Sessions , Self-directed Learning
<b>CLO</b>	CLO1 conduct a research project using appropriate design and methods CLO2 evaluate sources obtained for the research critically CLO3 write a report of the research using conventions of research writing
<b>Pre-Requisite Courses</b>	No course recommendations
<b>Topics</b>	
<b>1. Parts of the research report</b> 1.1) Background of research 1.2) Literature review 1.3) Research design & methodology 1.4) Data analysis 1.5) Findings 1.6) Discussion 1.7) Conclusion/Recommendation	
<b>2. Sourcing information for research</b> 2.1) 1. Searching for literature and other relevant information from electronic and print sources 2.2) 2. Determining research design and methods	
<b>3. Writing the research report</b> 3.1) 1. The conventions of academic research report writing: 3.2) Format, Organization, Mechanics, Documentation 3.3) 2. Focus on: Content & Language use	

Assessment Breakdown		%		
Final Assessment		100.00%		
Details of Continuous Assessment	Assessment Type	Assessment Description	% of Total Mark	CLO
Reading List	Recommended Text	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gorard, Stephen, Taylor, Chris 2004, <i>Combining Methods In Educational And Social Research</i>, 1st Ed., Open University Press England [ISBN: 0335213073]</li> <li>• Ralph Berry 2004, <i>The Research Project</i>, 5th Ed., Routledge London [ISBN: 04153344466]</li> <li>• Wayne C. Booth, Gregory G. Colomb, Joseph M. Williams 2008, <i>The Craft of Research, 2nd edition</i>, 3rd Ed., University of Chicago Press USA [ISBN: 0226065685]</li> <li>• Noorzan Mohd Noor 2010, <i>Writing Research and Thesis Proposals</i>, 1st Ed., University Publication Centre (UPENA) Shah Alam, Malaysia [ISBN: 9789673053674]</li> <li>• Hajibah Osman 2012, <i>Strategies for Academic Writing</i>, UiTM Press Shah Alam, Malaysia [ISBN: 9789673633838]</li> <li>• Judith Bell with Stephen Walters 2014, <i>Doing Your Research Project</i>, 6th Ed., Open University Press England [ISBN: 9780335215041]</li> <li>• Ranjit Kumar 2014, <i>Research Methodology</i>, 4th Ed., SAGE Publications Limited London [ISBN: 9781446269961]</li> </ul>		
Article/Paper List	This Course does not have any article/paper resources			
Other References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Website The University of Iowa Libraries 2015, <i>Citation Formats</i> <a href="http://guides.lib.uiowa.edu/citation">http://guides.lib.uiowa.edu/citation</a></li> <li>• Website <i>Research and Citation Resources</i> <a href="https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/">https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/</a></li> <li>• Website <i>Conducting Research</i> <a href="https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/section/2/8/">https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/section/2/8/</a></li> <li>• Website <i>Online Guide to Writing and Research</i> <a href="https://www.umuc.edu/writingcenter/onlineguide/">https://www.umuc.edu/writingcenter/onlineguide/</a></li> <li>• Website <i>Research Writing: Elements and Steps</i> <a href="https://www.esc.edu/online-writing-center/resources/research/">https://www.esc.edu/online-writing-center/resources/research/</a></li> </ul>			