

# **MDIA2005**

Advertising: The Creative Dimensions

School of the Arts and Media // UNSW Arts and Social Sciences

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# **Course Overview**

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# **Course Details**

# **Credit Points 6**

# Summary of the Course

#### Subject Area: Media

Advertising is a creative, and at times, controversial communicative genre that plays a central role in consumer culture. This course will challenge you to consider not only the creative dimensions of advertising but also to consider a sustainable social role for advertising. You will be challenged to develop an understanding of the relationship between advertising and creativity and focus on how to develop innovative solutions to contemporary and social communication problems. The course will have a significant applied component: you will focus on developing the creative dimensions for an advertising campaign related to a contemporary social issue and engage imaginatively with agency briefs, examine how ideas are creatively expressed using words and images and develop advertising concepts, prepare a creative pitch, and explore the story-telling and copy-writing dimensions of advertising.

### **Course Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Effectively critique creative advertising in a range of commercial, consumer and social contexts
- 2. Understand the role of advertising in relation to society today
- 3. Demonstrate knowledge of and ability to apply creative practices to communication issues and problems
- 4. Identify a target audience and key insights through research
- 5. Manage the development of key insights through the creative process

### **Teaching Strategies**

#### **Rationale:**

The course is designed to introduce students to strategic and creative approaches to advertising in rapidly changing media contexts. The course is also designed to link to the UNSW strategic priority of sustainability through an emphasis on advertising communication that supports social, cultural environmental sustainability.

#### **Teaching Strategies:**

Interactive, participatory and reflective teaching approaches will be prioritized along with conceptual frameworks and applied methods.

# Assessment

See Moodle for detail.

### **Assessment Tasks**

Assessment task	Weight	Due Date	Student Learning Outcomes Assessed
Online reflective writing task	5%	01/03/2019 08:00 PM	1,3,5
Critical Analysis	45%	05/04/2019 08:00 PM	1,2,3,4,5
Portfolio	45%	18/04/2019 08:00 PM	1,3,4,5
Pitch	5%	Week 10 Studio	1,3,4,5

#### **Assessment Details**

#### Assessment 1: Online reflective writing task

#### Start date: Not Applicable

Details: 200 words, individual task, Moodle forum and pass/fail

#### Additional details:

Refer to Moodle

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

#### **Assessment 2: Critical Analysis**

Start date: Not Applicable

Details: 5 diary entries of 500 words, individual task, feedback provided via Turnitin.

#### Additional details:

Refer to moodle for further details.

**Turnitin setting:** This assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students do not see Turnitin similarity reports.

#### **Assessment 3: Portfolio**

Start date: Not Applicable

Details: 3 creative pieces for submission, individual task, feedback provided via Moodle.

#### Additional details:

Refer to moodle for further details.

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

#### **Assessment 4: Pitch**

Start date: Not Applicable

**Details:** Prepare and undertake a 3 minute 'pitch' of one portfolio piece, individual task, in-class presentation pass/fail.

#### Additional details:

Refer to moodle for further details.

# **Attendance Requirements**

Students are required to attend 80% of **both lectures and tutorials**.

# **Course Schedule**

#### View class timetable

# Timetable

Date	Туре	Content	
Week 1: 18 February - 24	Lecture	Introduction to creative advertising.	
February			
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	What makes a good ad. Introduction to the creative brief.	
		You will receive your first creative briefs to work on for your portfolio.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 2: 25 February - 3 March	Lecture	The elements of creative advertising.	
	-	Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	Bring your initial creative concepts for the first portfolio clinic.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 3: 4 March - 10 March	Lecture	Making meaning through ads.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	The second portfolio clinic.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 4: 11 March - 17 March	Lecture	Understanding people, understanding insight.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	The third portfolio clinic.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 5: 18 March - 24 March	Lecture	Telling powerful brand stories.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	The fourth portfolio clinic.	
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		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 6: 25 March - 31 March	Lecture	Integrating media.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	The fifth portfolio clinic.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 7: 1 April - 7 April	Lecture	Agencies and clients: the working relationship.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	The final portfolio clinic.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 8: 8 April - 14 April	Lecture	Pitching your ideas.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Studio	The portfolio and pitch preparation.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	
Week 9: 15 April - 21 April	Reading	This week is the course reading week.	
Week 10: 22 April - 28 April	Lecture	The future of creative adveritsing.	
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	Studio	The portfolio pitch.	
		Refer to moodle for further details.	
	Online Activity	Refer to moodle for further details.	

# Resources

### **Prescribed Resources**

The advertising concept book - Barry, P. (2016)

Advertising: principles and practice - Wells, W., Spense-Stone, R. Crawford, R. (2015)

These are *highly* recommneded. While you do not have to buy them, it will be immensely helpful to you if you do.

#### **Recommended Resources**

Please refer to Moodle for sources.

#### **Course Evaluation and Development**

The course convenor and tutors welcome informal feedback about the course thoughout the semester. Furthermore, students are encouraged to participate in online feedback surveys later in the semester. An email will be sent to all students advising when, where, and how to provide feedback.

Please take the time to provide feedback. In recent years the course has been changed as a result of student input. For example, the course assessment has been changed from a group assignment to an individual creative portfolio assignment.

# **Submission of Assessment Tasks**

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### **Turnitin Submission**

If you encounter a problem when attempting to submit your assignment through Turnitin, please telephone External Support on 9385 3331 or email them on externalteltsupport@unsw.edu.au . Support hours are 8:00am – 10:00pm on weekdays and 9:00am – 5:00pm on weekends (365 days a year). If you are unable to submit your assignment due to a fault with Turnitin you may apply for an extension, but you must retain your ticket number from External Support (along with any other relevant documents) to include as evidence to support your extension application. If you email External Support you will automatically receive a ticket number, but if you telephone you will need to specifically ask for one. Turnitin also provides updates on their system status on Twitter.

Generally, assessment tasks must be submitted electronically via either Turnitin or a Moodle assignment. In instances where this is not possible, it will be stated on your course's Moodle site with alternative submission details.

For information on how to submit assignments online via Moodle: https://student.unsw.edu.au/how-submit-assignment-moodle

# **Academic Honesty and Plagiarism**

Plagiarism is using the words or ideas of others and presenting them as your own. It can take many forms, from deliberate cheating to accidentally copying from a source without acknowledgement.

UNSW groups plagiarism into the following categories:

Copying: using the same or very similar words to the original text or idea without acknowledging the source or using quotation marks. This also applies to images, art and design projects, as well as presentations where someone presents another's ideas or words without credit.

Inappropriate paraphrasing: Changing a few words and phrases while mostly retaining the original structure and/or progression of ideas of the original, and information without acknowledgement. This also applies in presentations where someone paraphrases another's ideas or words without credit and to piecing together quotes and paraphrases into a new whole, without appropriate referencing.

Collusion: working with others but passing off the work as a person's individual work. Collusion also includes providing your work to another student before the due date, or for the purpose of them plagiarising at any time, paying another person to perform an academic task, stealing or acquiring another person's academic work and copying it, offering to complete another person's work or seeking payment for completing academic work.

Inappropriate citation: Citing sources which have not been read, without acknowledging the "secondary" source from which knowledge of them has been obtained.

Duplication ("self-plagiarism"): submitting your own work, in whole or in part, where it has previously been prepared or submitted for another assessment or course at UNSW or another university.

Correct referencing practices:

- Paraphrasing, summarising, essay writing and time management
- Appropriate use of and attribution for a range of materials including text, images, formulae and concepts.

Individual assistance is available on request from The Learning Centre (http://www.lc.unsw.edu.au/). Students are also reminded that careful time management is an important part of study and one of the identified causes of plagiarism is poor time management. Students should allow sufficient time for research, drafting and proper referencing of sources in preparing all assessment items.

UNSW Library also has the ELISE tool available to assist you with your study at UNSW. ELISE is designed to introduce new students to studying at UNSW but it can also be a great refresher during your study.

Completing the ELISE tutorial and quiz will enable you to:

- analyse topics, plan responses and organise research for academic writing and other assessment tasks
- effectively and efficiently find appropriate information sources and evaluate relevance to your needs
- use and manage information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose
- better manage your time

- understand your rights and responsibilities as a student at UNSW
- be aware of plagiarism, copyright, UNSW Student Code of Conduct and Acceptable Use of UNSW ICT Resources Policy
- be aware of the standards of behaviour expected of everyone in the UNSW community
- locate services and information about UNSW and UNSW Library

Some of these areas will be familiar to you, others will be new. Gaining a solid understanding of all the related aspects of ELISE will help you make the most of your studies at UNSW. <a href="http://subjectguides.library.unsw.edu.au/elise/aboutelise">http://subjectguides.library.unsw.edu.au/elise/aboutelise</a>

# **Academic Information**

For essential student information relating to:

- requests for extension;
- late submissions guidelines;
- review of marks;
- UNSW Health and Safety policies;
- examination procedures;
- special consideration in the event of illness or misadventure;
- student equity and disability;
- and other essential academic information, see

https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/current-students/academic-information/protocols-guidelines/

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