Work Integrated Learning Guide to Good Practice



The University of Queensland considers a course to be Work Integrated Learning if it meets the following criteria:

- Provides an opportunity for students to integrate (or observe the application of) discipline-specific skills and /or theory into work practice; and
- 2. Students are assessed on their involvement in these activities: and
- Learning objectives communicate the development expected from the activity.

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