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PGR Course unit outline 2022/23			
Unit code:	BMAN80432		
Title:	Reviewing and Evaluating Manuscripts		
Credit value:	5		
Semester:	2		
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Pre-requisites			
Co-requisites	Elective		
Dependent course units			
Restrictions			

### **Course unit overview**

The course follows a workshop format where students are firstly introduced to a range of issues regarding manuscript reviewing and evaluations, and then are encouraged to apply this on a set of real examples. For these we will use examples of successful/unsuccessful manuscripts and reviews from top-tier journals.

#### Aims

- To introduce students to the topics of peer-reviewing, manuscript evaluation, scholarly feedback, and mentoring.
- To sharpen skills of critical reading and analysis of scholarly writings, in relation to their own doctoral work, that of peers and academic articles more generally.
- To develop within students an appreciation of the merits of (peer-review) feedback and how to constructively utilise this as an aid to make a scholarly contribution.

### **Objectives (Learning outcomes)**

On completion of this unit successful students will be able to:

- Demonstrate an awareness and an understanding of the elements involving scholarly manuscript reviews and manuscript evaluation for management researchers.
- Assess and improve their own work and that of peers through the lens of generic evaluation criteria.
- Identify a "contribution" and how to provide constructive feedback and input for quality improvements thereof.

## Syllabus content

This unit will select aspects of the art and science of reviewing, an essential albeit sometimes possibly flawed element in the production of knowledge. Topics include:

- Reviewing as a vital professional service, when to review and when not to review?
- Fundamentals and practice of reviewing, fairness and other key criteria.

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- Reviewing (your own/someone's) PhD, for conferences, for academic journals.
- Providing constructive and workable feedback.

Methods of delivery			
Lectures	9 (3 sessions, approx. 3 hours each)		
Seminar/Tutorial/Workshop/Lab Hours			
Independent Study	41		
Total Study Hours	50		

# **Reading List**

## **Pre Reading**:

• Linton (2010), Lepak (2009).

## **Further reading (selection):**

• Books: Baruch, Sullivan, and Schepmyer (2006); Clark, Wright, and Ketchen (2017); Campion (1993); Carpenter (2009); Clark, Floyd, and Wright (2006); Kilduff (2007).

Assessment				
Mode of Assessment	Length required	Weighting within unit		
Assessment is for those requiring unit credits (please make this clear to the tutor at the start of the elective)  Review of a journal article  The reviewing assignment of a journal article is	4 to 10 pages each, depending on the nature of the manuscript.	100%		
<ul> <li>an individual task.</li> <li>One way, which may be used in the marking process for this course, and thus may help you in developing your work, is outlined in Patriotta (2017).</li> </ul>				
This is an elective course, the assignment is an integral part of the learning objectives of this course, rather than an assessment mechanism that results in credits. There is no point in attending this course by simply "sitting in". If you wish to sharpen your skills in critically reviewing your own work, or the work of peers, the assignments are a crucially important step towards this goal. You will be provided with numerical feedback scores on the tasks.				
The reviewing assignment of a journal article and a draft PhD manuscript from a peer are an individual task.				

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Resits:	
Reviewing assignment of a journal article.	
Assessment deadline: TBC (approx. 4 weeks after last	
course session).	

## **Feedback methods**

### 1.1 Feedback to students

There will be feedback on any oral and written assignment (formative or summative) completed by students.

### 1.2 Feedback from students

Students are offered the opportunity to provide written feedback and oral feedback on the course unit by contacting staff involved during office hours or via email.

## 1.3 Course unit survey

At the end of the course unit each student will be asked to complete a short questionnaire that will be used to gather feedback on teaching quality and general organization of the course.

Date coursework feedback will be returned by – 1 May 2023