

Assignment 3: Report

Learning outcomes 1-5

Note: Assignment 3 is designed to include elements of peer feedback and takes place over several weeks. In order to complete it successfully, it is crucial that you meet the deadlines for each part as outlined below.

One of the goals of Massey University is to be a carbon neutral university by 2030. This has a clear link to sustainable development goals.

Main task

Choose one of the following areas of focus:

- transportation
- heating
- lighting
- insulation
- waste management
- agricultural outputs

Write a report (1500 words) which includes the following:

1. a discussion of the sustainability challenges relevant to your chosen focus area and how this issue is of importance to Massey
2. a proposal for how Massey can achieve, or continue to achieve, sustainability targets relevant to the focus area
3. consideration of cultural components of the focus area, such as discussion of relevant mātauranga Māori aspects
4. the report must refer to at least three peer reviewed articles that explain how science can respond to the sustainability challenges identified
5. Diagrams or graphs generated from current Massey data
6. A 'Works Cited' list recording all the sources you have used in the report, formatted according to APA conventions

In addition to the report, include a brief statement (between 50 to 100 words) identifying any changes you made to your final report as a result of the peer feedback exercise.

Detailed breakdown of Assignment 3 Part 1 - Submission of draft for peer feedback

Using the Workshop tool in Stream, submit an excerpt from your draft report (approx. 500 words) for one of your peers to provide feedback. Include with that draft:

- a brief explanatory note of where the excerpt fits within your report (e.g. 'This is the introduction' or 'This section outlines my proposal for what Massey can do' etc.).
- any specific areas that you would like their feedback to focus on (e.g. 'Do the sentences flow?' or 'Have I provided enough detail for my points?')

Part 2 - Feedback on peer draft

1. Use the criteria in the workshop tool in Stream to provide feedback to your peer on their excerpt draft.
2. Provide detailed feedback in the Overall feedback box in the workshop tool -- if your peer had asked for feedback on specific areas, try and address those concerns.

Part 3 - Submission of final report and a brief statement of amendments made following peer feedback exercise

1. Submit your final report (1500 words) which includes the components listed in the Main task.
2. Submit a brief statement (50-100 words) which outlines any changes you made to your draft, as a result of the peer feedback exercise. These changes may be prompted by:
 - the feedback you received from your peer and/or
 - the process of evaluating your peer's draft which then generated a self-critique of your own writing

If you did not make any changes as a result of the exercise, provide reasons for this.