Country: Australia

School: Macquarie University through ISEP Direct

Basic Information:
Students begin their studies at the equivalent to the US sophomore level with no introductory courses offered. The average course load at Macquarie is 3 courses for 4 credits each. Macquarie University emphasizes the final list of courses offered in any one semester is confirmed only shortly before the semester begins.

Course credit:
Three hour courses will be brought in as 4 credits
Four hour courses will be brought in as 5 credits
This would mean that a student taking 3 three-hours courses (3 x 4) would earn 12 hours at Berry up to a maximum of 3 four-hour courses (3 x 5) coming is as 15 hours.

Grade scale:
If transcripts are received with the grades of HD, D, C, P, PC and F, then Berry College awards the following letter grades:
- High Distinction (HD) 85-100 = Berry A
- Distinction (D) 75 – 84 = Berry A
- Credit (C) 65 – 75 = Berry B
- Pass (P) 50 – 65 = Berry C
- Pass Conceded (PC) 45 – 49 = Berry D
- Fail (F) Berry F

If the grades come in as letter grades then:
- Macquarie A = Berry's A
- Macquarie B = Berry's B
- Macquarie C = Berry's C
- Macquarie CQ = Berry's C
- Macquarie F = Berry's F

Macquarie University does not award pluses and minuses as a final grade, and there is no equivalent to the U. S. grade of D.

Note: “The distribution of grades in Australian universities contrasts markedly to that of the United States. Many study abroad students are used to receiving grades of B and above at their home institutions and they need to be aware that it is far more difficult to receive the equivalent grades at an Australian University”.
**Berry equivalent information:** Berry equivalents should be submitted at the time of registration for study abroad. The current listing of courses should be attached. If course selections change upon registration at the host institution, it is the student’s responsibility to request substitutions through the appropriate department(s). Identifying the substitutions before the final transcript arrives will expedite the entry of grades and the updating of the degree audit.

**Official transcript from:** Macquarie University

**Time required for grades to arrive at Berry:** unknown

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