106-430 Subcultural Studies

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Undergraduate
Dates & Locations:	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 2-hour seminar per week Total Time Commitment: .
Prerequisites:	Usually admission to the postgraduate diploma or fourth year honours in English, Creative Writing or Cultural Studies.
Corequisites:	
Recommended Background Knowledge:	
Non Allowed Subjects:	
Core Participation Requirements:	
Coordinator:	Ken Gelder
Subject Overview:	This subject studies texts and events relating to various subcultural formations, including gangs, music subcultures, drug cultures, neo-pagans, sexed subcultures, bohemias, underworlds, body art cultures and virtual communities. The subject asks students to explore the ways identification can occur through the subcultural frame; to examine ways in which cultural forms can be contested or claimed by subcultures; and to read subcultures both textually and sociologically. On successful completion of the subject students should be able to analyse subcultural studies as an historically-framed discipline, beginning with late 19th century ethnographies and developing through the Chicago School and the Birmingham tradition to contemporary analyses.
Assessment:	An essay of 5000 words for 4th year students or 6000 words for masters students 100% (due at the end of the semester). Students are required to attend a minimum of 80% of classes in order to qualify to have their written work assessed.
Prescribed Texts:	A subject reader will be available from the University Bookshop. The Subcultures Reader (K Gelder (ed)), (2nd ed)
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Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	# be able to apply new research skills and critical methods to a field of inquiry;
	# develop critical self-awareness and shape and strengthen persuasive arguments;
	# communicate arguments and ideas effectively and articulately, both in writing and to others.
Notes:	Formerly available as 106-083. Students who have completed 106-083 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.
Related Course(s):	Postgraduate Certificate in Arts (Cultural Studies) Postgraduate Certificate in Arts (English)

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Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Cultural Studies) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (English Literature)

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