

## 513-902 Thesis Proposal

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.500
<b>Level:</b>	Graduate/Postgraduate
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. Semester 2, - Taught on campus.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 3 month candidature, minimum of 60 hours, throughout semester and consultations with supervisors as appropriate. Total Time Commitment: Students are expected to devote a minimum of 60 hours to this subject.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	513-660 Graduate Research Methods or equivalent, 513-903 Thesis Design
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	None
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	<p>&lt;p&gt;For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.&lt;/p&gt;         &lt;p&gt;It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and Student Equity and Disability Support: &lt;a href="http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability"&gt;http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability&lt;/a&gt;&lt;/p&gt;</p>
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Dr Clarissa Martin
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject enables students to develop in consultation with their supervisors a research proposal specific to their thesis topic. This will include methodology and ethics approval preparation. On completion of the proposal, students are expected to defend the proposal in a specially convened seminar program.
<b>Assessment:</b>	Research proposal - 4,000 words limit (70%), Defence of proposal (30%).
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Texts:</b>	# American Psychological Association (APA) Pocket Style Book. APA: New York # Foster J, Barkus E, Yavorsky C. 2006. Understanding and using advanced statistics. Sage, London # Jekel JF, Katz DL, Elmore JG, Wild DMG. 2007. Epidemiology, biostatistics and preventative medicine. 3rd ed. Saunders Elsevier, Philadelphia # Rugg G & Petre M. 2007. A gentle guide to research methods. McGraw Hill, New York
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>
<b>Generic Skills:</b>	On completion of this subject students will be able to demonstrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># The ability to select a thesis topic in consultation with a research supervisor</li> <li># An ability to apply research method and design principles in developing a research protocol</li> <li># The ability to present a research proposal to a forum consisting of members of the academic staff and peers.</li> </ul>

	<p>On completion of this subject, students will be able to demonstrate the following generic skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li># Skills in written scientific communication</li><li># Skills in oral communication and presentation</li><li># A respect for truth and intellectual integrity and for the ethics of research and scholarship</li><li># An ability to critically analyse published research</li></ul>
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.physioth.unimelb.edu.au/programs/pgrad/index.html">http://www.physioth.unimelb.edu.au/programs/pgrad/index.html</a>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Doctor of Clinical Physiotherapy (Coursework)