

672-374 Transitions in Central & Eastern Europe

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Undergraduate
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2008.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Thirty contact hours per semester. Two 1-hour lectures per week for 10 weeks and a 1-hour tutorial per week for 10 weeks. The lecture and tutorial programs are staggered and cover the 12 weeks of semester Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	Usually one subject of first-year Political Science or European studies
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	<p><p>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.</p> <p>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: http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</p></p>
Coordinator:	Prof Leslie Holmes
Subject Overview:	This subject explores the reasons for the collapse of communist power and the emergence of post-communism in what used to be Eastern Europe and the USSR. Issues studied include democratisation, marketisation and privatisation, gender, nationalism and ethnic problems, and the environment. On completion of this subject students should be able to provide a comprehensive analysis of the numerous explanations of the 1989-91 East European Revolutions and the 1991 collapse of the USSR; a brief analysis of the political, social and economic systems of the eight East European states and the USSR up to 1989; and an up-to-date analysis of the various problems and achievements of transitional and post-communist states in central and eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.
Assessment:	A research essay of 2000 words 50% (due during the semester) and a 2-hour examination 50% (during the examination period).
Prescribed Texts:	None
Recommended Texts:	Information Not Available
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:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # be able to research through the competent use of the library and other information sources, and be able to define areas of inquiry and methods of research in the preparation of essays; # be able to conceptualise theoretical problems, form judgements and arguments and communicate critically, creatively and theoretically through essay writing, tutorial discussion and presentations;

- # be able to communicate knowledge ideologically and economically through essay writing and tutorial discussion;
- # be able to manage and organise workloads for recommended reading, the completion of essays and assignments and examination revision;
- # be able to participate in team work through small group discussions.