

100-572 Minor Thesis- Media & Communications

Credit Points:	25.00
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. Semester 2, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Regular supervision throughout the semester. Total Time Commitment: Regular supervision throughout the semester.
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	MECM00006 (Global Media: Theory and Research)
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>
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Subject Overview:	Students will undertake a substantial piece of research resulting in a 10,000 word thesis
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # be able to demonstrate that they can conceive, design, execute and present a self-developed and sustained inquiry; # be able to marshal and balance empirical findings and theoretical discussion as appropriate to their self-defined topic of interest; # be able to present in written mode a sustained, structured and sequenced presentation that conforms to the protocols of academic presentation; # be able to demonstrate research reflexivity in respect of their confrontation with research findings, research performance and positions of theory.
Assessment:	10,000 word thesis due at the end of the semester (100%).
Prescribed Texts:	None
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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:

acquire written communication skills through essay writing and seminar discussion.