306-466 Honours Research Methods

| Credit Points:                       | 12.50  |
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| Level:                               | 4 (Undergraduate)  |
| Dates & Locations:                   | 2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus.  |
| Time Commitment:                     | Contact Hours: 36 hours of seminars Total Time Commitment: Not available   |
| Prerequisites:                       | 306-301 Financial Accounting (/view/2009/306-301) or 306-302 Enterprise Performance Management (/view/2009/306-302) or 306-317 Strategic Enterprise Systems (/view/2009/306-317); 306-304 Auditing and Assurance Services (/view/2009/306-304) and acceptance into the Honours Program or as approved by Head of Department.   |
| Corequisites:                        | None   |
| Recommended<br>Background Knowledge: | None   |
| Non Allowed Subjects:                | None   |
| Core Participation<br>Requirements:  | 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. 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: <a href="http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability">http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability"&gt;http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</a> |
| Coordinator:                         | Prof Greg Clinch   |
| Subject Overview:                    | This course focuses on fundamental approaches to research and the range of analytical and empirical research methods and techniques used in accounting. On completion of this subject a student should have a foundation for understanding the nature of scientific inquiry in accounting; an understanding of how research questions are created and developed into testable hypotheses; an appreciation of the range of alternative methods used and an ability to critically analyse the research of others in the field of accounting.   |
| Objectives:                          |  |
| Assessment:                          | Mid-semester examination (20%), assignments not exceeding 3000 words (30%) and a final examination (50%)   |
| Prescribed Texts:                    | Readings in Research Methods, Department of Accounting and Business Information Systems (current year version)   |
| Recommended Texts:                   | To be advised.   |
| 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:                      | # High level of development: written communication; problem solving; statistical reasoning; interpretation and analysis; critical thinking; synthesis of data and other information; evaluation of data and other information; use of computer software; accessing data and other information from a range of sources.   |

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# Moderate level of development: oral communication; collaborative learning; team work; application of theory to practice; receptiveness to alternative ideas.

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