

CULS40002 Memory Cultures

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus. On campus
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 2 Total Time Commitment: 120
Prerequisites:	Admission to the postgraduate diploma or fourth year honours in Cultural Studies, English, Creative Writing, Screen Studies, or Cinema Management.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	None
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Subject Overview:	The aim of this subject is to explore a theoretical history of remembrance in contemporary culture. We will begin by considering the massive transformations in cultural memory brought about by modernity. From this starting point we will consider the trajectories of cultural memory from Freud's curative hypotheses to the dominance of amnesia and trauma as tropes of memory in contemporary culture. Students will be expected to read and explore both theoretical accounts of contemporary cultural memory and to produce specific studies of the ways in which mechanical reproduction, testimony, the bureaucratic and state archive, film, monuments, museums, digital technologies and other cultural products and institutions have formed and continue to form contemporary cultures of remembrance.
Objectives:	Students who have completed this subject will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # understand the major twentieth-century articulations of culture, memory and modernity; # have developed the analytical skills and methodological confidence to produce detailed and innovative studies in cultural memory; and # appreciate the inter-relations and dynamics of practices of remembrance as, in part, defining the cultural dynamics of the twentieth century.
Assessment:	A research essay of 5000 words 100% (due at the end of semester). All students are required to make a formal class presentation (due during the first 10 weeks of semester) and a presentation of work towards their final essay (due during the last two weeks of semester).
Prescribed Texts:	A subject reader will be 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:	Students who successfully complete this subject will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # have advanced research and analytic skills; # develop critical and ethical self-awareness; and

	# have the ability to develop and communicate effective arguments in both oral and written form.
Related Course(s):	Master of Arts Management Master of Cinema Management Postgraduate Diploma in Arts Management
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Cultural Studies Cultural Studies Cultural Studies