234UT Master of Planning and Design (Urban Planning)

Year and Campus:	2011 - Parkville
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Level:	Research Higher Degree
Duration & Credit Points:	Students are expected to complete this research in 1.50 years full time, or equivalent part time. Credit Points: 200
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Course Overview:	This course is no longer offered. The Master of Philosophy (M Phil) is recommended as a suitable alternative course.
	The Master of Planning and Design (by Thesis) is intended primarily for people who are qualified in a broad range of disciplines and who wish to pursue research in their field. These fields include architectural history and conservation, urban design and urban planning.
Objectives:	Upon completion of the degree the candidate will be able to:
	# demonstrate a capacity for articulating a research question and locating it in the context of existing scholarship in the field of inquiry; # apply advanced skills and methodologies appropriate to a particular field of inquiry; # identify relevant research materials and show a capacity for sustained and discerning research in relation to them; and # express research findings in an effective and lucid manner appropriate to the discipline
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	Candidates will normally be required to undertake a research training subject in their first semester. Candidates may also be recommended by their supervisor to undertake a coursework component if they require further training in a specific area. However, any coursework undertaken may be equivalent to no more than one third of the total assessment weight of the Masters degree.
Entry Requirements:	Applicants are required to have a four-year university degree (or equivalent) with an overall minimum H2B (70%) result in the final year. A candidate not so qualified may be required to take preliminary studies equivalent to one year full time (100 points). Upon achieving an average of H2B (70%), the candidate may be considered for progression to Masters.
Core Participation Requirements:	The Melbourne School of Design is the graduate school of the Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning. It offers professional entry programs in Architecture, Construction Management, Landscape Architecture, Property and Urban Planning. It offers specialist development programs in Property Valuation, Planning and Design and in Urban Design. The Melbourne School of Design welcomes applications from students with disabilities. It is the University and Faculty (Architecture, Building and Planning) policy to take reasonable steps to make reasonable adjustments so as to enable students' participation in degrees offered by the Melbourne School of Design (MSD). A candidate for degrees offered in the MSD must have abilities and skills which include the following: observation; communication; motor; conceptual, integrative, and quantitative; andbehavioural and social. Adjustments can be provided to minimise the impact of a disability, however, particularly at Masters level, students need to be able to participate in programs in an independent manner and with regard to their safety and the safety of others.(i) Observation: Candidates must be able to read text, diagrams, maps, drawings and numerical data. Candidates should be able to observe details at a number of scales and to record useful observations of environmental contexts.(ii) Communication: Candidates should be able to communicate with fellow students, professional and academic staff, members of relevant professions and the public. Candidatesmust be able to communicate

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	effectively and sensitively. Communication includes not only speech but also reading and writing.(iii) Motor: Candidates should have sufficient motor function to elicit information from environmental contexts. Off campus investigations may include visits to construction sites, urban, rural and/or remote environments. Candidates should have sufficient motor ability to prepare documentation of analytic texts, drawings and models of findings and for thepreparation of proposals for environmental interventions via digital or other means. Candidates should have the ability to actively participate in appropriate site and/or designstudio-based activities. (iv) Intellectual-Conceptual, Integrative and Quantitative Abilities: These abilities include measurement, calculation, reasoning, analysis, synthesis and, importantly, the ability tointerpret results of such work. Problem resolution, the critical skill demanded of graduates, requires all of these intellectual abilities. In addition, given the disciplines pursued in theMSD, candidates should be able to comprehend three-dimensional relationships and to understand the spatial relationships in environmental structures of a wide range of scales—from smaller than the individual through individual buildings and urban spaces to large geographic areas. Further, graduate study entails learning to master one's own abilities andskills and to deploy them strategically. This requires further developing skills in both reflective and reflexive thinking and being able to practice these skills.(v) Behavioural and Social Attributes: A candidate must possess behavioural and social attributes that enable them to participate in a complex learning environment. Students arerequired to take responsibility of their own participation and learning. They also contribute to the learning of other students in collaborative learning environments, demonstratinginterpersonal skills and an understanding of the needs of other students. Assessment may include the outcomes of tasks completed in collaborat
Graduate Attributes:	Refer to University of Melbourne graduate attributes located at http://www.unimelb.edu.au/about/attributes.html
Notes:	Assessment Major thesis 30,000 words (100 points)

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