ABPL90066 MSD Research Project Short (12.5 Points)

Credit Points:	12.50			
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)			
Dates & Locations:	2012, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.			
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Independent study; regular meetings with a supervisor. Student is responsible for negotiating a supervisor within the first two weeks of semester, and for arranging supervisory meetings. Total Time Commitment: Up to 10 hours per week of independent work in which a research project is undertaken and a written report prepared under the supervision of an assigned supervisor.			
Prerequisites:	One of the following subjects or entry into the Master of Design (Urban Design).			
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	
	ABPL40041 Research Methods (Honours)	Semester 1	12.50	
	ABPL90070 Research Methods (Masters)	Not offered 2012	12.50	
	ABPL90135 Analytical Methods	Semester 1	12.50	
Corequisites:	None			
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None			
Non Allowed Subjects:	ABPL90066 Research Project A (//view/2011/ABPL90066)			
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering requests for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/			
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Subject Overview:	ABPL90066 MSD Research Project Short (12.5 points) is designed to produce a 5,000-word ordered, critical exposition of knowledge gained through the student's own efforts which demonstrates a sound understanding of a topic of their choice. Regular meetings with a supervisor allow the student to obtain advice and guidance for completion of an independent study. Material prepared in any of the following subjects is expected to form an integral part of the final research report:			
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Objectives:	# Critical thinking and analytical ability;	
	# Ability to seek out, evaluate and retrieve information, using appropriate research methods, from multiple sources;	
	# Ability to comprehend complex concepts and express them lucidly, orally and textually;	
	# Ethics associated with knowledge acquisition and usage; and,	
	# Report writing skills.	
Assessment:	1 x research proposal (500 words), due fourth week of semester (15%) 1 x oral presentation based upon research proposal, due fourth week of semester (hurdle requirement) 1 x minor thesis (5,000 words), end of semester (85%)	
Prescribed Texts:	None	
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:	# Written and graphic communication of ideas	
	# Critical thinking and analysis	
	# Development of logical arguments	
	# Critical evaluation of policies and practices	
	# Use of citations and sources	
Related Course(s):	Master of Design (Urban Design)	
	Master of Property	
	Master of Property Master of Urban Planning	

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