POPH90223 Research Project: Health Program Evaluation

Credit Points:	25			
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)			
Dates & Locations:	2012, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: July, Parkville - Taught on campus. Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Supervised Project completed in one semester.			
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 36 hours: attendance at a half-day research training skills workshop (week 1 of semester), approximately fortnightly supervisor meetings, attendance at a half-day session of student presentations (week 5), attendance at two full day sessions for student oral presentations (week 11). Total Time Commitment: 240 Hours			
Prerequisites:	POPH90090 may be taken concurrently. Plus other MPH subjects that are relevant to the proposed research topic. Students entering the MPH from 2011 must have a weighted average mark of at least 70% for all relevant subjects to be eligible to enrol in the research project. Successful research project applicants will be selected on the basis of academic merit.			
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	
	POPH90014 Epidemiology	Semester 1	12.50	
	POPH90058 Health Program Evaluation 1	Semester 1	12.50	
	POPH90090 Health Program Evaluation 2	Semester 2	12.50	
	POPH90231 Surveys and Qualitative Methods	Semester 2	12.50	
Corequisites:	None			
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None			
Non Allowed Subjects:	None			
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request 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.			
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Subject Overview:	The Research Project must be in an area of relevance to health program evaluation, and the topic must be approved by the student's supervisor(s). The research project may be: # the development of an evaluation plan or protocol, incorporating a critical review of relevant literature; # the analysis of existing evaluation data and preparation of a paper of publishable standard; or # the planning, implementation and reporting of a small scale evaluation, and may include qualitative and/or quantitative research methods.	
Objectives:	On completion of the subject students will be able to: # Formulate an evaluation research question, # Provide a rationale for the choice of evaluation research question, the evaluation design and selected data collection and analytic methods, # Summarise, analyse and interpret evaluation research findings, # Present their evaluation research as formal oral presentations, # Write up their evaluation research as a research report &/or as a journal manuscript or paper.	
Assessment:	An oral presentation of 15 minutes (10 minute presentation, 5 minutes questions), due during the fifth week of semester (15%); an oral presentation of 20 minutes (15 minutes presentation, 5 minutes questions), due during the eleventh week of semester (20%); a written research report of 5000 to 8000 words, due during the examination period (65%). Students must pass the written research report (hurdle).	
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:	On completion of this subject, students will have developed skills in: # Critical thinking and analysis, # Initiative, autonomy and organization, # Problem-solving, # Finding, evaluating and using relevant information, # Oral communication, # Written communication.	
Related Course(s):	Master of Public Health	
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Health Program Evaluation	

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