EDUC90759 Education Capstone Research Proj. (SEC)

Credit Points:	12.5		
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)		
Dates & Locations:	2015, 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: Sessions with group supervisor as arranged Total Time Commitment: 170 hours		
Prerequisites:	Students must have completed 150 points of study in the Master of Teaching (Secondary) and EDUC90758		
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	EDUC90758 Researching Education Practice (SEC)	January, February, July	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 Overview, Learning Outcomes 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 website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability		
Coordinator:	Ms Kira Clarke		
Contact:	Contact Us (https://enquiry.app.unimelb.edu.au/?cc=MGSE-ALL&fn=MGSE) Call: 13 MELB (13 6352)		
Subject Overview:	This is the second of two subjects that all Master of Teaching students complete as part of their Capstone experience. In this subject, students will undertake a semester long research project based on a limited number of topics introduced in 'Researching Educational Practice'. Projects will involve either field-based research, a literature review, or the analysis of existing documents or secondary data. The focus of all topics will be on the use of research to inform and improve educational practice. Throughout the semester students will receive ongoing supervision from a member of academic staff through campus or school based group workshops. The Capstone project will culminate with students synthesizing the findings of their research in a written form such as a conference paper, journal article or report. Students will also be expected to report findings to the education community where the research took place.		
Learning Outcomes:	On completion of this subject, teacher candidates should be able to:  # Carry out a substantial research-based project  # Demonstrate an understanding of the ethical issues associated with practitioner research  # Analyze data and synthesize research findings  # Report research findings in written and verbal forms  # Use research findings to advance education theory and practice		
Assessment:	There are two assessment tasks: A preliminary report equivalent to 800 words indicating project progress, due midway through the subject, 20% A written task equivalent to 3200 words, due at the end of the subject, 80% There is one hurdle requirement: Oral presentation of the report		

	findings to the education community where the research took place Attendance at all classes (tutorial/seminars/practical classes/lectures/labs/online classes) is obligatory. Failure to attend 80% of classes will normally result in failure in the subject.	
Prescribed Texts:	O'Toole, J., & Beckett, D. (2010), Educational Research – Creative Thinking & Doing, Oxford University Press, Melbourne.	
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 should be able to:  # Apply critical thinking skills  # Apply foundational research skills to address a research question  # Demonstrate planning and time management skills  # Undertake research independently  # Demonstrate a capacity to communicate research results clearly, comprehensively and persuasively.	
Links to further information:	https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/current/MC-TEACHSA	
Related Course(s):	Master of Clinical Teaching Master of Teaching (Secondary)	

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