**Food Security Specialisation** 

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Overview:	The Food Security specialisation offered within the Master of Agricultural Sciences is a multi-disciplinary training and research-led course, aimed at developing graduates who are fully informed and ready to aid in the global debates about how and where food is produced and consumed, and the challenges of creating more environmentally sustainable food systems. Graduates will understand the agro-ecological and social complexity of food security. This specialization will equip graduates with understanding of environmental and production issues surrounding local and global food systems, including environmental and population demands, and the policy, economic, political and nutritional dynamics of food production, distribution and consumption. The course will draw on global case studies to demonstrate the relationship with the land and the influences that the environment, climate, natural and synthetic resources, culture, governmental policies and other social factors have on the ability to produce and access sufficient and quality food.		
Learning Outcomes:	# Be able to demonstrate advanced knowledge in food security and skills in integrating food security concepts across multiple disciplines  # Interpret, critically analyse and evaluate data generated through research activities in order to effectively understand food security issues around food production and policies  # Investigate and apply innovative approaches and concepts to the contemporary, interdisciplinary management in achieving food security		
Structure & Available Subjects:	Students should choose three specialisation core subjects (37.5 points) for the Food Security specialisation within the Master of Agricultural Science.		
Subject Options:	Food Security Specialisation Core Subjects		
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	FOOD90026 The Politics of Food	Semester 1	12.50
	FOOD90033 Sustainable Food: Policy and Practice	Semester 2	12.50
	FOOD90034 Sustainable Food Production	Semester 2	12.50
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	100 Point (A) Master of Agricultural Sciences 100 Point (B) Master of Agricultural Sciences 150 Point Master of Agricultural Sciences 200 Point Master of Agricultural Sciences		

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