

102-AS Master of Arts (Asian Societies)

Year and Campus:	2008													
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees													
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate													
Duration & Credit Points:														
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Course Overview:	<p>The Master of Arts (Asian Societies) provides advanced training in Asian area studies together with theoretical and methodological perspectives in such disciplines as politics, anthropology, history, media studies, development and cultural studies. Graduates should develop an advanced understanding of key debates in the Asian region, including inter-regional ties and conflicts, political economy, human rights, Islamic movements in Asia, media and popular cultures in Asia and the impact of globalisation in Asia. The course is designed to equip students to work in professional areas related to Asia but can also serve as the foundation for further research studies.</p> <p>Course coordinator: Dr Lewis Mayo Asia Institute Email: lmayo@unimelb.edu.au</p>													
Objectives:	<p>Students who have successfully completed this course should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # have an advanced ability to analyse major problems and issues in Asian societies; # understand how to apply theoretical and cross-disciplinary approaches to the study of Asian societies; # have a critical appreciation of Asian as well as Western approaches to the study of Asia; # understand the theory and practice of research techniques appropriate to the study of Asian societies. 													
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	<p>Two year program: first year (first 100 points) Course structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # 100 points (usually 8 subjects) of advanced language and/or level 4 elective subjects from the lists below (all subjects are worth 12.5 points unless indicated) <p>One year (100-point) program and Two year program: second year (second 100 points) Course structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # one minor thesis (37.5 points) # one compulsory subject (12.5 points) # at least one core subject (at least 12.5 points) # level 5 elective subjects (to total 100 points) 													
Subject Options:	<p>Advanced language subjects: Students enrolled in these subjects must have a minimum of level three language skills or equivalent.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="386 1787 1485 2040"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>110-522 Postgraduate Arabic A</td> <td>Not Offered</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>110-523 Postgraduate Arabic B</td> <td>Not Offered</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>110-524 Postgraduate Chinese A</td> <td>Not Offered</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	110-522 Postgraduate Arabic A	Not Offered		110-523 Postgraduate Arabic B	Not Offered		110-524 Postgraduate Chinese A	Not Offered	
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110-525 Postgraduate Chinese B	Not Offered	
110-526 Postgraduate Japanese A	Not Offered	
110-527 Postgraduate Japanese B	Not Offered	
110-528 Postgraduate Indonesian A	Not Offered	
110-529 Postgraduate Indonesian B	Not Offered	

With the permission of both the course coordinator and the other University, students may enrol in a substitute fourth year level Asian language taught by another local University.

Level 4 subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
110-446 Topics in Chinese Studies	Semester 1	12.50
110-448 Supervised Reading (Asia Institute)	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
110-458 Topics in Indonesian Studies	Semester 1	12.50
110-471 Islamic Language, Identity and Power	1	12.500
110-474 Topics in Japanese Studies	Semester 1	12.50
106-432 Cultural Studies in Asia	Not offered 2008	12.50
121-461 Gender Issues in Development	Semester 2	12.50
131-405 History, Memory and Violence in Asia	Semester 2	12.50
131-422 Asia in Paradigms of World History	Semester 2	12.50
131-432 Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective	Semester 1	12.50
161-443 Political Philosophy	Semester 2	12.50
161-448 Topics in Asian Philosophy	Semester 1	12.50

With the permission of both the course and subject coordinator students may enrol in alternative relevant fourth year level subjects from other faculties and departments within the University.

One year (100-point) program and Two year program: second year (second 100 points)

Course structure:

- # One minor thesis (37.5 points)
- # One compulsory subject (12.5 points)
- # At least one core subject (at least 12.5 points)

Level 5 elective subjects (to total 100 points)

(all subjects are worth 12.5 points unless indicated)

Thesis

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
110-589 Minor Thesis - Asian Studies	Semester 1, Semester 2	37.50

Compulsory subject

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
110-590 Critical Asian Perspectives	Semester 1	12.50

Core subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
110-509 Chinese Society & Culture	Not Offered	
110-551 Political Economy of Asia	Not Offered	
110-553 Human Rights in Southeast Asia	Semester 2	12.50
110-587 Asian Health and Development	Not Offered	
110-588 Strategies for Communication in Asia	Semester 2	12.50

Level 5 subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
100-570 Global Media: Theory and Research	Semester 2	25
100-574 Global Crisis Reporting	Semester 1	25
100-577 Strategic Political Communication	Semester 1	25
121-545 Understanding Development	Semester 1	12.50
161-514 Violence, War and Terrorism	Semester 2	12.50
161-515 Global Justice	Semester 1	12.50
166-502 International and Comparative Politics	Semester 1	25
166-541 Aspects of Post-Communism	Semester 2	12.50
166-547 Politics and Business in post-Mao China	Semester 2	12.50
166-557 Europe and Asia: Competing Hegemons?	Semester 1	12.50
505-525 Women and Global Health	Semester 2	12.50

18-month (150 points) program**Course structure:**

- # Four elective subjects at level 4 taken from the first year of the 200 point program (50 points)
- # Minor thesis (37.5 points)
- # One compulsory subject at level 5 taken from the second year of the 200 point program (12.5 points)
- # One or more core subject at level 5 taken from the second year of the 200 point program (a minimum of 12.5 points)
- # A choice of electives at level 5 taken from the second year of the 200 point program (up to a maximum of 37.5 points and to total 150 points for program)

Elective Subjects at level 4

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
110-446 Topics in Chinese Studies	Semester 1	12.50
110-448 Supervised Reading (Asia Institute)	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
110-458 Topics in Indonesian Studies	Semester 1	12.50

110-471 Islamic Language, Identity and Power	1	12.500
110-474 Topics in Japanese Studies	Semester 1	12.50
106-432 Cultural Studies in Asia	Not offered 2008	12.50
121-461 Gender Issues in Development	Semester 2	12.50
131-405 History, Memory and Violence in Asia	Semester 2	12.50
131-415 Middle Eastern Wars: Jihad & Resistance	Semester 2	12.50
131-422 Asia in Paradigms of World History	Semester 2	12.50
131-432 Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective	Semester 1	12.50
131-443 Social and Cultural History	Not offered 2008	12.500
131-463 World War Two in Asia and the Pacific	Not offered 2008	12.50
161-443 Political Philosophy	Semester 2	12.50
161-448 Topics in Asian Philosophy	Semester 1	12.50

With the permission of both the course and subject coordinator students may enrol in alternative relevant fourth year level subjects from other faculties and departments within the University.

Thesis

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110-589 Minor Thesis - Asian Studies	Semester 1, Semester 2	37.50

Compulsory subject

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
110-590 Critical Asian Perspectives	Semester 1	12.50

Core subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
110-509 Chinese Society & Culture	Not Offered	
110-551 Political Economy of Asia	Not Offered	
110-553 Human Rights in Southeast Asia	Semester 2	12.50
110-588 Strategies for Communication in Asia	Semester 2	12.50

Elective subjects at level 5

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
100-570 Global Media: Theory and Research	Semester 2	25
100-574 Global Crisis Reporting	Semester 1	25
100-577 Strategic Political Communication	Semester 1	25
121-545 Understanding Development	Semester 1	12.50
131-546 Gender, Globalisation and Development	Semester 1	12.50
161-514 Violence, War and Terrorism	Semester 2	12.50

	161-515 Global Justice	Semester 1	12.50
	166-502 International and Comparative Politics	Semester 1	25
	166-541 Aspects of Post-Communism	Semester 2	12.50
	166-547 Politics and Business in post-Mao China	Semester 2	12.50
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	505-525 Women and Global Health	Semester 2	12.50
Entry Requirements:	<p>The minimum entry requirement is:</p> <p>For the 200 point program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # an undergraduate degree with a major in Asian studies or equivalent with a grade average of H2B (70%) or equivalent in the major. <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # a Graduate Diploma in Arts (Asian Studies) or equivalent with a grade average of H2B (70%) or equivalent. <p>For the 150 point program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # an undergraduate degree in a relevant discipline with a grade average of at least H2B (70%) over the major or equivalent and at least one year of documented relevant professional or work experience. <p>For the 100 point program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # an honours degree in Asian studies or cognate discipline with a grade average of at least H2B (70%) average. <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # an honours degree in any discipline and at least three years documented full-time equivalent years of relevant professional or work experience. 		
Core Participation Requirements:	<p><p>For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.</p> <p>It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and Student Equity and Disability Support: http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</p></p>		
Links to further information:	<p>http://www.asiainstitute.unimelb.edu.au/</p>		