131-543 Public History Fieldwork

Credit Points:	25.000
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Dates & Locations:	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	Admission to the MA in Public History
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 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. 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
Coordinator:	Dr Andrew Brown-May
Subject Overview:	The aim of this subject is to introduce students, through a practical placement in a public or private sector work environment (museum or gallery, heritage organisation, government department, municipal office, consultant historian, archive), to a range of conservation, ethical, communication and heritage concerns of public history. Students will be allocated both an academic and host organisation supervisor under whose direction they will tailor a relevant practical project consonant both with the host's requirements and the student's interests and experience. Projects might be undertaken in such areas as: researching and producing a history program for radio; researching and designing components of a history exhibition; researching and writing a historical report for an archaeological survey, municipal office or government department.
Assessment:	A practical placement task , the equivalent of 5,000 words, 30% (assessed at the end of the placement), and a 5000 word research essay 70% (due at the end of semester).
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:	# show an advanced understanding of the changing knowledge base in the specialist area; # be able to evaluate and synthesise the research and professional literature in the discipline; # have an appreciation of the design, conduct and reporting of original research. #
Related Course(s):	Master of Arts in History (Advanced Seminars and Shorter Thesis)