

161-035 Philosophy of Buddhism

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Undergraduate
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2008. *
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Thirty two contact hours per semester: two 1-hour lectures per week for the first 11 weeks and a 1-hour tutorial per week beginning the third week of semester Total Time Commitment: *
Prerequisites:	At least one single-semester first-year philosophy or Asian studies subject (in consultation with the subject coordinator) or permission from the Head of School or the subject coordinator.
Corequisites:	*
Recommended Background Knowledge:	*
Non Allowed Subjects:	*
Core Participation Requirements:	*
Coordinator:	Dr Guy Patterson
Subject Overview:	This subject explores the central teachings and concepts of Buddhism as embodied in the Four Noble Truths. It does so by examining such core Buddhist concepts and contrasts as suffering and its cessation, enlightenment and ignorance, impermanence and emptiness and meditation. Reference to the Theravada, Mahayana and Zen traditions is made throughout the course.
Assessment:	A written assignment of 2000 words 50% (due mid-semester), a 2-hour closed-book written examination 47% (due at the end of semester) and tutorial participation 3%.
Prescribed Texts:	*
Recommended Texts:	Information Not Available
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:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # develop skills in constructing and assessing the strength of arguments, identifying theoretical assumptions, and assessing conflicting arguments; # develop an understanding of the texts and offer textual support for interpretations; # have improved critical thinking and analysis skills.
Related Course(s):	Bachelor of Arts Diploma in Arts (Asian Studies) Diploma in Arts (Philosophy) Diploma in Arts (Philosophy) Graduate Certificate in Arts (Philosophy) Graduate Diploma in Arts (Asian Studies) Graduate Diploma in Arts (Philosophy)