

166-558 Social Science Research Seminar

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Undergraduate
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 postgraduate diploma or fourth-year honours in political science, public policy and management, criminology, sociology or socio-legal, or the Master of Criminology 100-point program.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
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>
Coordinator:	Dr Michael Crozier & Dr Julie Evans
Subject Overview:	This subject is designed to develop research skills for students planning and writing research theses in the School of Political Science, Criminology and Sociology. The subject explores contemporary research strategies, differing methodological approaches to social research, the relationship of theory and research, and practical issues concerned with designing thesis topics and their realization through the research process. The subject gives special attention to the design of problem-driven research. It will assist students to develop skills in thesis preparation and development as well as in the framing of research projects, more generally. The subject is taught through a combination of lectures, workshops and seminars.
Assessment:	A research proposal study of 5000 words, worth 100% (due mid-Semester 1).
Prescribed Texts:	Prescribed Texts: A subject reader will be 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"> # be able to apply research skills and critical methods to a field of inquiry; # be able to develop persuasive arguments on a given topic; # be able to communicate oral and written arguments and ideas effectively and articulately.
Notes:	This is a compulsory subject for students enrolled in Political Science Honours/Postgraduate diploma, Public Policy and Management Honours/Postgrad Diploma, Criminology Honours/Postgraduate Diploma and the Master of Criminology. It is available as an elective for students

	enrolled in Sociology Honours/Postgraduate Diploma. Students who have completed 166-410 or 191-530 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.
Related Course(s):	Bachelor of Public Policy and Management(Honours) Master of Criminology (CWT) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Criminology) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (International Politics) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Political Science) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Public Policy and Management) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Socio-Legal Studies) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Sociology)