

## 175-202 Computer Mediated Communication

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.500
<b>Level:</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, - Taught on campus.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: A 2-hour lecture per week and a 1 hour tutorial. There will be no tutorials in the first and last week of semester. Total Time Commitment: Not available
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	None
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	None
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	<p>&lt;p&gt;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.&lt;/p&gt;         &lt;p&gt;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: &lt;a href="http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability"&gt;http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability&lt;/a&gt;&lt;/p&gt;</p>
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Assoc Prof Robert Debski
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	<p>This subject will examine the theoretical issues that surround the use of language in interpersonal and group computer-mediated communication (CMC). Topics covered will include: the Internet as a communication medium; understanding electronic communication technologies; communication of online identity; online relationships; communicating in virtual worlds; CMC in corporate cultures; access to online communication; language diversity and online communication on the Internet; language minorities on the Internet; CMC in language learning; online expression. Students undertaking this subject will become familiar with the social, cultural and linguistic issues of CMC. They will gain experience in using electronic tools such as Internet Relay Chat and other groupware. Upon successful completion, students will be able to better understand and critically evaluate the role of CMC in contemporary society and its impact on language use.</p>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A written class paper of 1000 words 25% (due during semester), an essay of 3000 words 65% (due at the end of semester), attendance and participation in tutorials 10%.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	Materials prepared by the Department.
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	<p>This subject is a level 2 or level 3 subject and is not available to new generation degree students as a breadth option in 2008.</p> <p>This subject or an equivalent will be available as breadth in the future.</p> <p>Breadth subjects are currently being developed and these existing subject details can be used as guide to the type of options that might be available.</p> <p>2009 subjects to be offered as breadth will be finalised before re-enrolment for 2009 starts in early October.</p>
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>
<b>Generic Skills:</b>	* have acquired the ability to critically assess the relationships between scientific theory and application areas

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* have acquired the ability to locate, access and use information necessary for the solution of scientific problems</li><li>* have developed their skills in critical evaluation of the impact of electronic communication of individuals and societies</li><li>* have increased their critical self-awareness as related to using computer-mediated communication tools</li><li>* have developed their written communication skills through essay preparation and writing</li><li>* have acquired a solid grounding in the use of computer-mediated communication tools</li></ul>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Arts(Media and Communication) & Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Arts(Media and Communications) Diploma in Arts (English Language) Diploma in Arts (Linguistics)