

191-538 Sovereignty and Indigenous Peoples

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2008.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A two-hour seminar each week Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	None
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 J Evans
Subject Overview:	This subject examines the historical underpinnings of the contemporary over-representation of Indigenous peoples in the criminal justice systems of settler states (including Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United States of America). It introduces students to the history of Law's relation to Indigenous peoples and its responsiveness to colonialism from the fifteenth century. In particular, the subject explores connections between European notions of sovereignty, the idea of race and the historical experiences of Indigenous peoples, including the legal and criminological frameworks of dispossession and nation-building. This subject enables students to develop a critical appreciation of the historical, social, cultural, ethical and economic contexts of Law's relation to Indigenous peoples and to bring this knowledge to bear on current concerns, particularly in the Australian context.
Assessment:	An essay of 3000 words due at the end of semester (70%). A 2000 word journal of critical annotations of set readings due at the end of semester (30%).
Prescribed Texts:	Prescribed Texts:A subject reader will be available from the University Bookshop.
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"> # to demonstrate the capacity to think in theoretical terms; # to demonstrate advanced skills in critical thinking and analysis; # to demonstrate the capacity to apply theoretical and historical thinking to the analysis of contemporary social issues.
Notes:	This subject was previously title Law, Race and Indigenous Peoples.
Related Course(s):	Master of Criminology (CWT) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Criminology) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Socio-Legal Studies)