

# 196-212 Social Work Practice and Diversity

<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. On campus
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: A 1.5 hour lecture and a 1 hour tutorial per week. Total Time Commitment: 25 contact hours, 25 hours class preparation and reading, 25 hours assessment related tasks.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Admission into the Bachelor of Social Work.
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	None
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	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 courses. Students who feel their disability will impact on meeting this requirement are encouraged to discuss this matter with the Course Coordinator and the Disability Liaison Unit.
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Dr Robyn Mason
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject will explore dimensions of diversity and difference and the implications for effective and ethical social work practice, particularly related to those peoples who have experienced historical disadvantage. Building on understandings of decolonisation, 'othering', power and identity, the subject will examine social work practice in a number of different cultural and social settings. Students will develop the skills and theory of critically reflective and context-sensitive practice.
<b>Assessment:</b>	A 2000-word essay 50% (due mid-semester) and a 2000-word essay 50% (due at the end of semester). A hurdle requirement of a minimum of 80% attendance of tutorials required.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	A subject reader will be available from the University Bookroom.Promoting Equality (N Thompson), (2nd ed) Palgrave Macmillan 2003
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
<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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to critically analyse texts and practices;</li> <li># be able to understand social, cultural, organisational and ethical contexts of practice;</li> <li># be able to link theory to practice;</li> <li># be able to communicate in speech and writing in ways relevant to both academic and practice contexts;</li> <li># be able to undertake independent research.</li> </ul>
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/">http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/</a>
<b>Notes:</b>	Formerly available as 196-413. Students who have completed 196-413 are not eligible to enrol in this subject. The subject dates and HECS/course fee census date for this subject change each year. Check your enrolment record for the correct census date for this subject.