

# 196-768 Social Work Thesis

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.500
<b>Level:</b>	Graduate/Postgraduate
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. Semester 2, - Taught on campus. 12,000 word written thesis developed under supervision
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: Regular meetings with supervisor Total Time Commitment: 10 hours per week
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	196508 Researching social work practice (H2A or above) Average of 70% across all first year subjects and completion of 196753 Communication and Interviewing Skills and 196754 Supervised Field Placement 1 on first attempts.
<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 Lynette Joubert
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	Completion of a 12,000 word thesis under supervision <b>Subject objectives</b> At the conclusion of this subject, students will have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Developed an understanding of epistemological and methodological issues in social work research</li> <li># Developed an ability to undertake a critical literature review and conceptualise a research project</li> <li># Demonstrated their knowledge of research practice by conducting a social research project to completion</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	12,000 word thesis
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	Evans, D. & P. Gruba (2002). How to write a better thesis. Carlton, Melbourne University Press. A reading pack will be available
<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>	Students who complete this subject should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># critically analyse texts and practices;</li> <li># understand recent developments in social work contexts of practice;</li> <li># link theory to practice;</li> <li># competently communicate in ways relevant to both academic and practice contexts;</li> <li># 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>

**Notes:**

The disciplines of Nursing and Social Work are now co-managed within the Faculty of Medicine Dentistry and Health Sciences. At the time of publication Social Work subjects are under the administrative management of the School of Nursing.