

## 505-111 Principles & Practice of Public Health

<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. Classroom
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 2 hours contact per week Total Time Commitment: Approximately six hours of private study per week
<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>	Victorian Consortium for Public Health
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	<p>Through this unit, students are provided with an integrated overview of the ways in which different theories and disciplinary perspectives have informed public health principles and practices both in the past and present. The unit provides the foundations for a contextual understanding of the specific methods of public health research, policy development and program planning and implementation. Principles and Practice of Public Health is a 'glue' unit for the study of public health, drawing linkages between areas that may at first sight appear quite disparate. This unit aims to provide students with an overview of public health as an organized global and local effort to promote and protect the health of the public. Links are drawn between the past and present to provide the foundations for a contextual understanding of the specific methods of public health practice and policy development. Students are encouraged to position themselves within public health debates. This unit will cover: history of public health and lessons learned from history; concepts of equity/inequity, social epidemiology, population health, justice and universalism, public-private tensions, planning and intersectoralism, globalisation and health and specific topics as health impact assessment, child public health, public health nutrition.</p>
<b>Assessment:</b>	Two weekly exercises to be submitted and presented (2000 words) 40%, major assignment (3000 words) 60%
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	To be advised
<b>Recommended Texts:</b>	None
<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>	<b>Level:</b> 400
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.sph.unimelb.edu.au">http://www.sph.unimelb.edu.au</a>
<b>Notes:</b>	This subject is a Master of Public Health Consortium subject. <b>Subject Coordinator:</b> Dr Helen Keleher, Deakin University, 9244 6688
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Master of Public Health