606-207 Flora of Victoria

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Undergraduate
Dates & Locations:	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Summer Term, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 21 hours of lectures and 33 hours of practical work, including excursions full-time over two weeks in early February Total Time Commitment: 120 hours
Prerequisites:	At least one 100-level biology subject (650-141, 650-142, 650-111 or prior to 2004: 600-141, 600-142 or 600-111).
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study and reasonable steps will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact upon their active and safe participation in a subject are encouraged to discuss this with the relevant subject coordinator and the Disability Liaison Unit.
Coordinator:	Prof P Ladiges, Dr M Bayly
Subject Overview:	This subject is designed for students wishing to take a summer course, and who are interested in the biology of native plants and plant communities and environments in Victoria. It is suited to students studying environmental science or environmental studies. Topics covered include: # biogeographic regions of Victoria: climate, landforms, geology, soils and vegetation types; # biology of Victorian plants: intraspecific variation and adaptation to local conditions, ecotypes and clines, mallee plants, coastal plants, alpine plants, and fungal flora; and # threats to the Victorian flora: weeds, diseases, pests, fire, extinctions. By taking this subject, students should: # gain an understanding of the biogeography and biology of the Victorian flora; # develop skills in identification of Victoria's plants and macrofungi; and # appreciate the evolutionary history of, conservation value of and threats to Victoria's ecosystems.
Assessment:	Written assignment of 1500 words due in the week following the end of the subject (20%); project practical work of 6 pages due at the start of Semester 1 (20%); a 2-hour written examination in the summer semester examination period (60%).
Prescribed Texts:	None
Breadth Options:	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. This subject or an equivalent will be available as breadth in the future. 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. 2009 subjects to be offered as breadth will be finalised before re-enrolment for 2009 starts in early October.

Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Notes:	Students enrolled in the BSc (pre-2008 BSc), BASc or a combined BSc course will receive science credit for the completion of this subject.
Related Course(s):	Bachelor of Arts