

705-644 Planning Urban Sustainability

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Dates & Locations:	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Two hours of lectures and a one hour seminar per week, or the equivalent. Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	Admission to a Masters program in the Faculty or the Master of Environment (Graduate Environmental Program)
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 Anna Hurlimann
Subject Overview:	The urban dimension of ecological sustainability is the focus of this subject. The contribution of cities to the crises of the atmosphere and the biosphere is analysed. Solutions based on existing experience and practice are explored in the fields of housing, green space, workplaces and transport. International and local examples are analysed. Methods of planning, target setting and monitoring are discussed, with emphasis on the institutional barriers likely to be encountered and ways of overcoming them.
Assessment:	Class papers to a maximum of 4000 words (50%), and an individual contribution to a group research project of not more than 2000 words (50%).
Prescribed Texts:	None
Recommended Texts:	Low, N.P., B. Gleeson, R. Green and D. Radovic (2005) <i>The Green City</i> , Sydney, University of New South Wales Press.
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 deepen students' understanding of urban sustainability and its relationship to public values and goals. # To provide an overview of initiatives worldwide designed to improve urban ecological sustainability. # To explore the means of governance and planning for urban sustainability. # To equip students to carry out analysis and to make recommendations for the improvement of ecological sustainability within systems of government at local and metropolitan scale. # To provide students opportunity for open discussion and debate on topics relevant to urban sustainability.

	# To enable students to conduct high quality research and analysis leading to practical and feasible recommendations for improving the ecological sustainability of urban areas.
Related Course(s):	Master of Urban Planning Master of Urban Planning