

131-051 Aboriginal & Pacific Islander Histories

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	2 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2009. x
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 1.5-hour lecture and a 1-hour tutorial per week Total Time Commitment: Total Contact Hours 2.5 Additional Hours 6 Total Time Commitment to Study 8.5
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	Usually 12.5 points of first-year history, indigenous studies or Australian studies.
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	x
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Subject Overview:	This subject approaches the histories of Indigenous peoples in Australia and the Pacific in relation to European colonisation and ongoing contact with European settlers, traders and colonial governments. A central focus of the subject is to encourage thinking and writing that revolves around the nature of colonial contact between Europeans and Indigenous people in their own land, and the immediate and long-term consequences of these interactions. Spanning the early colonial period to the era of nuclear testing, formal independence and 'post'colonialism, the subject will focus on the nature and continuity of colonial power relations; conflict; and resistance or survival. In particular we will consider how Indigenous peoples in Australia and the Pacific have responded to and effected colonial land dispossession and forced relocation and removal from land and families. This will all be considered in the context of critically examining historical debates and argument in Australia and the Pacific regarding the role of history in the present, and students will gain access to Indigenous perspectives as well as, and in relation to, non-Indigenous writing on the major issues and themes of colonisation in Australia and the Pacific.
Objectives:	Students who successfully complete this subject should... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # a critical awareness of the contemporary significance of the colonial past; # a general knowledge of the major events in, and stages of, the European colonisation of Australia and the western Pacific, and an understanding of the nature of colonial relations between Indigenous peoples and colonising societies; # a general understanding of the comparative colonialisms in the region of various European nations.
Assessment:	A 1500-word essay 30% (due mid-semester), a 2000-word essay 50% (due at the end of semester), a 500-word journal 10% (end of semester), tutorial presentation, attendance and class participation 10%. Students must attend a minimum of 75% of tutorials in order to be pass this subject
Prescribed Texts:	A subject reader will be available at the beginning of semester
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Breadth Options:	This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Bachelor of Biomedicine (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/J07) # Bachelor of Commerce (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/F04) # Bachelor of Environments (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/A04) # Bachelor of Music (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/M05) # Bachelor of Science (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/R01)

	<p># Bachelor of Engineering (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/355-AA)</p> <p>You should visit learn more about breadth subjects (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p>
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # demonstrate research skills through competent use of the library and other information sources; # show critical thinking and analysis through recommended reading, essay writing and tutorial discussion, and by determining the strength of an argument; # demonstrate understanding of social, ethical and cultural context through the contextualisation of judgements, developing a critical self-awareness, being open to new ideas and possibilities and by constructing an argument.
Notes:	Formerly available as 131-253/353. Students who have completed 131-253 or 131-353 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.
Related Course(s):	Bachelor of Arts(Media and Communications)
Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations:	<p>Australian Indigenous Studies Australian Indigenous Studies Australian Indigenous Studies Australian Indigenous Studies Major Australian Studies Australian Studies Australian Studies Major History History History History Major</p>