

# 161-443 Political Philosophy

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50
<b>Level:</b>	4 (Undergraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, - Taught on campus.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: A 2-hour lecture/seminar per week Total Time Commitment: 2 contact hours/week, 8 additional hours/week. Total of 10 hours per week.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Admission to the postgraduate diploma or fourth-year honours in philosophy, or permission from the subject coordinator.
<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>
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<b>Subject Overview:</b>	The subject will examine topics in political philosophy. These may change from year-to-year, but might include issues concerning the state, war, social justice etc.
<b>Objectives:</b>	<p>Students who successfully complete this subject will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># acquire an understanding of the characteristic methods and techniques of contemporary analytic political philosophy;</li> <li># be familiar with the current debate in selected areas of contemporary analytic political philosophy;</li> <li># have demonstrated an ability to think and write at a level commensurate with the debates studied.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A 5000-word essay 100% (due at the end of semester).
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	A subject reader 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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># develop an understanding of the theoretical bases of influential political ideologies;</li> <li># have refined the skills necessary for original research by developing the capacity to think rigorously, imaginatively and critically about abstract topics;</li> <li># acquire the ability to comprehend and evaluate complex argumentative texts.</li> </ul>

<b>Notes:</b>	Formerly available as 161-046. Students who have completed 161-046 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Master of Arts (Asian Societies)
<b>Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:</b>	Asian Studies Asian Studies Philosophy Philosophy Philosophy