161-512 Literature Review

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Time Commitment:	Total Time Commitment: Total of 10 hours per week.
Prerequisites:	Admission to the MA in Philosophy
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	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. <th< td=""></th<>
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Subject Overview:	This subject is intended as part of a student's preparation for writing their thesis, by ensuring that they have a proper knowledge of the contemporary literature in that area. The student will undertake a READING programme guided by their supervisor. The READING will be discussed with the supervisor or other appropriate people, either individually or in seminars.
Objectives:	# acquire a familiarity with the contemporary research literature relating to their thesis topic; # demonstrate the ability to critically evaluate this literature; # acquire a critical understanding of important issues relating to their thesis; # refine the critical skills necessary to undertake original research.
Assessment:	Written work totalling 5000 words 100%. The written work may take the form of either a single end of semester paper of 5000 words, or up to three critical notices 1700 words each. The form of ASSESS will be adapted to suit the particular project and will be agreed upon in writing within 2 weeks of the start of the semester.
Prescribed Texts:	To be determined on a case by case basis in the light of the student's research topic.
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:	# refine the critical skills necessary to undertake original research; including skills in assessing the strength of arguments, identifying theoretical assumptions, and assessing conflicting arguments; # improve the ability to develop and defend one's own position with respect to complex theoretical questions; # learn to present complex ideas clearly.
Related Course(s):	Master of Arts in Philosophy (Advanced Seminars and Shorter Thesis) Master of Arts in Philosophy(Adv Seminars and Shorter Thesis)(CAPPE)

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