

## 166-501 Major Thesis - Political Science

<b>Credit Points:</b>	N/A Credit points are not assigned to the research thesis subjects that are offered as part of graduate research courses. The load or weight varies according to the duration and structure of the course, enrolment status (ie. full-time or part-time), etc.
<b>Level:</b>	Research Higher Degree
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Total Time Commitment: Total of 10 hours per week.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Admission to the M.A. (Research Only) degree in Political Science
<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>
<b>Contact:</b>	to be advised
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject involves a school-based supervised thesis of 30,000 words, embodying the results of the student's own political research.
<b>Objectives:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># demonstrate a specialist understanding of the subject being studied;</li> <li># show advanced skills of analysis pertinent to the subject;</li> <li># show a detailed sense of the theoretical debates in the subject area;</li> <li># show a good capacity to communicate research in written form;</li> <li># demonstrate an ability to undertake critical independent research.#</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A thesis of 30 000 words 100%.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	None
<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># be able to conceptualise and plan a substantial project of original research;</li> <li># be able to present material in draft form and engage productively with a supervisor;</li> <li># be able to consolidate and enhance established skills in engaging creatively with a critical field;</li> <li># be able to synthesise critical arguments and debates;</li> <li># be able to test and develop new research methods in relation to ongoing debates;</li> <li># be able to manage time and study resources over a sustained period of time;</li> <li># be able to enhance drafting and writing skills, in both a critical and creative manner.</li> </ul>
<b>Notes:</b>	<i>Formerly available as 166-501. Students who have completed 166-501 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.</i>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Master of Arts in Political Science (Thesis)