

166-522 Individual Research Project

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. Semester 2, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Total Time Commitment: Total of 8.5 hours per week.
Prerequisites:	Admission to the Master of Public Policy and Management, or Master of Social Policy.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	<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>
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Subject Overview:	This subject involves focused, independent READING and research and the presentation of the findings in a scholarly manner, under the supervision of a member of the teaching staff in the MPPM or MSP programs. On completion of this subject students should demonstrate a thorough understanding of the topic chosen; understand the current literature on the topic; appreciate the theoretical, methodological and practical dimensions of the topic; be able to present orally and in writing critical thinking and analysis of the topic.
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # demonstrate a specialist understanding of the subject being studied; # show a capacity for an advanced level of analysis in relation to the issues being studied; # show an awareness of the latest research directions in the particular subject; # have shown a capacity for original research.
Assessment:	A research essay totalling 5000 words 100%.
Prescribed Texts:	None
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"> # be able to conceptualise and plan a substantial project of original research; # be able to present material in draft form and engage productively with a supervisor; # be able to enhance drafting and writing skills, in both a critical and creative manner; # be able to consolidate and enhance established skills in engaging creatively with a critical field;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"># be able to manage time and study resources over a sustained period of time;# be able to synthesise critical arguments and debates;# be able to test and develop new research methods in relation to ongoing debates.
Notes:	<i>Formerly available as 166-522. Students who have completed 166-522 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.</i>
Related Course(s):	Master of Public Policy and Management (Coursework) Master of Social Policy