

207-299 Human Behaviour and Environment

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	2 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 39 hours Total Time Commitment: Estimated total time commitment (including non-contact time): 80 hours.
Prerequisites:	Nil
Corequisites:	Nil
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	Students undertaking this subject will be expected to regularly access an internet-enabled computer to access readings, class information and data. They will also be expected to have basic skills in use of Excel software.
Coordinator:	Dr Kathryn Jane Williams
Subject Overview:	This subject examines the ways humans experience and behave in regard to the physical environment. It explores psycho-social dimensions of human-environment interactions and examines frameworks for understanding landscape perception and environmentally significant behaviour. Topics include: psychological bases for environmental values and aesthetics; management and design implications of human experience of natural and semi-natural settings; understanding environmental concern and environmentally significant action; strategies for enabling conservation behaviours.
Objectives:	On completion of this subject, students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # describe factors that influence the ways people value the environment # discuss design and management implications of human experience of natural and semi-natural environments # describe factors that influence environmentally significant actions # analyse factors that encourage or discourage conservation behaviour in a setting # select appropriate strategies for encouraging pro-environment behaviour.
Assessment:	One 2-hour examination (40%). Exercises and practical reports equivalent to total of 4000 words (60%) and submitted in week 4, 8 and 12.
Prescribed Texts:	Subject reader.
Recommended Texts:	Gardner, G.T. and Stern, P (2002). <i>Environmental Problems and Human Behaviour</i> . Boston: Pearson Custom Publishing. Winter, D. and Koger, W (2004). <i>The Psychology of Environmental Problems</i> . New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum.
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 Arts (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/D09) # 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)

	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.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<p>This course encompasses particular generic skills. On completion of the course students should have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # moderate capacity to interpret and apply information from a range of sources to better understand human behaviour # high level written communication # basic skills in quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis # moderate level ability to synthesise data with other information # moderate level ability to apply theory to practice.
Notes:	This subject replaces 207205 Human Dimensions of Resource Management.
Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations:	Landscape Management