

## 460-714 Early Language and Literacy Development

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50
<b>Level:</b>	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. Parkville Campus
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 18 hours of lectures, 12 hours of workshops Total Time Commitment: 120 hours total commitment
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	None
<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; <p>&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> </p>
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Ms Jennifer Lowe
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject addresses information processing models of sensory perception and learning. It will introduce the topic of brain function, the way language is processed in the brain, and the impact of sensory and/or language impairment on development. It will consider models of speech perception and the impact of deafness on how we hear and process sound. The impact of otitis media and auditory processing disorders on language development, learning and implications for classroom management will be explored. Students studying hearing impairment will learn to interpret audiological test results and understand the fitting and use of sensory aids and other assistive listening devices. Students studying language delays/disorders will learn about the range of language disorders evident in school age children.
<b>Objectives:</b>	<p>On completion of this subject, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Demonstrate an understanding of information processing theory and its relationship to the development of speech and language;</li> <li># Demonstrate an understanding of cognitive, neurological and physiological functions of the brain during auditory perception and language processing;</li> <li># Demonstrate an understanding of the models of speech perception and their relationship to language development;</li> <li># Demonstrate an understanding of the impact of otitis media and auditory processing disorders on language development;</li> <li># Comprehend the functions and components of assistive listening devices;</li> <li># Interpret the acoustical properties and representations of speech;</li> <li># Demonstrate an understanding of the impact of room acoustics on the learning environment.</li> <li># Identify how a sensory and/or language impairment impacts on the ability to process information;</li> <li># Apply an understanding of the cognitive, neurological and physiological basis of spoken language to models of teaching practice;</li> <li># Interpret audiometric information;</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Evaluate a range of assistive devices;</li> <li># Evaluate the acoustic environment of the classroom .</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A written essay 2000 words (50%: due end of semester) and a written take-home exam (50%: due end of semester)
<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>Related Course(s):</b>	Master of Education (Language Intervention and Hearing Impairment) Master of Education (Stream 100A) Coursework and Thesis A Master of Education (Stream 100B) Coursework Master of Education (Stream 150) Major Thesis Master of Education (Stream 150A) Coursework and Thesis A Master of Education (Stream 150B) Coursework Postgraduate Certificate in Educational Studies (Lang Intv Hearing Impt)