

# 102KH Master of Arts in Social Theory (Advanced Seminars and Shorter Thesis)

<b>Year and Campus:</b>	2010 - Parkville																							
<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>Level:</b>	Research Higher Degree																							
<b>Duration &amp; Credit Points:</b>	Students are expected to complete this research in 1.50 years full time, or equivalent part time. Credit Points: 150																							
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<b>Course Overview:</b>	The masters program allows students to combine coursework with extensive independent research in social theory. The thesis should demonstrate a critical application of specialist knowledge and make an independent contribution to existing scholarship in the area of research. Candidates may advance to the Doctor of Philosophy degree after successful completion of the masters or may apply to convert to the PhD at an earlier stage. An honours grade of at least H2B (70%) average must be attained in the respective thesis and advanced seminar components of the course to qualify for the award of the masters degree.																							
<b>Objectives:</b>	Students who complete the masters will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># demonstrate a comprehensive knowledge and understanding of at least one significant tradition in social theory;</li> <li># acquire knowledge of some major contemporary debates regarding their subject area;</li> <li># demonstrate a critical engagement with theoretical and substantive literature in their areas of study;</li> <li># establish a basis for further postgraduate research.</li> </ul>																							
<b>Course Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Thesis 20,000-22,000 words</li> <li># 2 elective subjects</li> </ul> Total points per year 100 - subjects are 12.5 points each, unless indicated otherwise.																							
<b>Subject Options:</b>	<p><b>Thesis subjects</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>SOTH90003 Shorter Thesis - Social Theory</td> <td>RHD First Half Year, RHD Second Half Year</td> <td>Not Assigned</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Elective subject</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>SOTH40003 The Critical Imagination</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SOTH40001 Theories of Modernity</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SOTH40002 Imagined Societies</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>136-532 Reading Texts in Social Theory</td> <td>Not offered 2010</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Candidates may substitute one of their electives with a subject offered by another department, with the prior approval of the course coordinator. Only Fifth Year subjects can be selected. No student may repeat a unit undertaken as part of an Honours or MA Preliminary course.</p>			Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	SOTH90003 Shorter Thesis - Social Theory	RHD First Half Year, RHD Second Half Year	Not Assigned	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	SOTH40003 The Critical Imagination	Semester 1	12.50	SOTH40001 Theories of Modernity	Semester 2	12.50	SOTH40002 Imagined Societies	Semester 2	12.50	136-532 Reading Texts in Social Theory	Not offered 2010	12.50
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<b>Entry Requirements:</b>	<p>A four year BA (Honours) degree with a research component or equivalent in the appropriate area of study or closely related area. The grade for the honours thesis component must be at least equivalent to an H2A (75%) at The University of Melbourne and the overall honours result must be at least equivalent to an H2B (70%).</p> <p>Applicants must include with their application a thesis proposal of 2,500 words and a writing sample (this may be an essay from your previous degree, a chapter from your Honours or Masters thesis or a published article). The primary basis for selection is academic merit, however, consideration will also be given to the quality of the thesis proposal, research potential, and the availability of an appropriate supervisor. Academic references may be required to assess the applicant's eligibility.</p>
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	<p>For the purposes of considering requests for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this course are articulated in the Course Description, Course Objectives and Generic Skills of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: <a href="http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/">http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/</a></p>
<b>Graduate Attributes:</b>	<p>Please refer to the University Graduate Attributes: <a href="http://www.unimelb.edu.au/about/attributes.html">http://www.unimelb.edu.au/about/attributes.html</a></p>
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.pasi.unimelb.edu.au/">http://www.pasi.unimelb.edu.au/</a></p>