

DEVT40008 Development Studies Thesis

Credit Points:	25
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Regular contact with the supervisor across two concurrent semesters Total Time Commitment: An average of 10 hours each week
Prerequisites:	Admission to combined honours in development studies and another program or a postgraduate diploma in Development studies.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	Knowledge gained in successful completion of an undergraduate degree.
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	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 subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements 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 : http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/
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Subject Overview:	An original, supervised research project on a topic to be decided in consultation with the coordinator and the supervisor.
Objectives:	Students who successfully complete this subject should <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # have an awareness of the specific methodologies appropriate for research in the aspect of the discipline within which their Honours thesis is situated. # be familiar with the techniques and concepts involved in the preparation of a review of the literature relating to particular research topics in development. # be capable of communicating research results in written and oral form so that they are comprehensible to persons who are not experts in the field.
Assessment:	A thesis of 15,000 words 100%. A hurdle requirement is the submission of a statement of a research problem at a date to be specified by the first week of the first semester of enrolment.
Prescribed Texts:	Appropriate texts will be decided in consultation with supervisor
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:	Students who successfully complete this subject should <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # think critically (for example, about development and its measures). # obtain information to evaluate propositions (about the principles of development).

	# write a coherent and empirically substantiated research paper. # defend that paper.
Links to further information:	http://www.pasi.unimelb.edu.au/development/
Notes:	Students must have the written permission of the coordinator to enrol in this subject.
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Development Studies Development Studies