

DEVT90011 Minor Thesis - Development Studies

Credit Points:	25									
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)									
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 supervisor over the period of enrolment Total Time Commitment: An average of 10 hours each week.									
Prerequisites:	Admission to the 150 or 200 point Masters Program (097AB). Students must have completed at least 50 points of subjects at the University of Melbourne and received an average of at least 75% for those subjects. Students must have completed Research Methods for Development and are expected to complete Explanation and Understanding in the semester prior to enrolling in the Minor Thesis. All students must seek the permission of the course coordinator before enrolling in this subject. An application form including a Thesis abstract, research proposal and ethics checklist is required. <table border="1" data-bbox="389 752 1485 958"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>DEVT40005 Research Methods for Development</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ANTH40004 Explanation and Understanding</td> <td>March</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	DEVT40005 Research Methods for Development	Semester 2	12.50	ANTH40004 Explanation and Understanding	March	12.50
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Corequisites:	Unless already completed, students are expected to complete 'Directed Study in Development' in the first semester of their enrolment in the Minor Thesis subject. Students who commence this subject midyear without having completed 'Explanation and Understanding' must seek coordinator approval for exemption. <table border="1" data-bbox="389 1099 1485 1249"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>DEVT40004 Directed Study in Development</td> <td>Semester 1, Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	DEVT40004 Directed Study in Development	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50			
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Recommended Background Knowledge:	knowledge gained in successful completion of an undergraduate degree and 50 points of postgraduate Development Studies subjects.									
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:	Students enrolled in this subject will undertake a piece of research in Development Studies approved by the course coordinator. The research will incorporate an analysis of development theory and practice. On completion of the subject, students will submit a minor thesis on their									

	chosen research topic. Students are expected to attend the development studies seminar series held each semester as part of their enrolment in this subject.
Objectives:	<p>Students who successfully complete this subject will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # have an awareness of the philosophy and scope of development. # have acquired research skills and an understanding of methods used to analyse development issues and processes. # have undertaken research in a specialised area of their choice and submitted a thesis. # have written a coherent and empirically substantiated research paper. # defended that paper.
Assessment:	A thesis proposal and a minor thesis of 15,000 words 100%.
Prescribed Texts:	Appropriate texts will be determined in consultation with Thesis 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:	<p>Students who successfully complete this subject will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # be able to obtain information to evaluate empirical and theoretical propositions. # develop research skills including the logic of research design, research methods and writing. # pursue an intensive investigation of a selected topic in development studies. # think critically about development methods, concepts, and theories. # engage in independent research work. # write coherent research proposals.
Links to further information:	http://www.pasi.unimelb.edu.au/development/
Related Course(s):	Master of Development Studies(CWT)