

ITAL40009 Research in Italian Studies

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 2-hour seminar per week. Total Time Commitment: 2 contact hours/week, 7.5 additional hours/week. Total of 9.5 hours per week.
Prerequisites:	Admission to the postgraduate diploma or fourth-year honours in Italian. Students cannot enrol without prior authorisation from the subject coordinator. Students should seek authorisation at least two weeks before the beginning of semester.
Corequisites:	none
Recommended Background Knowledge:	none
Non Allowed Subjects:	Formerly available as 116-313 and as 116-066 Research Project. Students who have completed 116-313 or 116-066 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.
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 for 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:	This subject will train students to undertake research in Italian studies. It will involve introducing students to various techniques that will be useful to formulate and carrying out research projects. Students will gain experience in doing research and understanding how to plan, formulate and execute research in Italian studies. The subject may take the form of an in-depth analysis of a selected research topic
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # extended and deepened their knowledge of research and research methodologies. # sharpened their critical faculties in relation to source material and secondary literature. # acquired substantial skills in planning and executing a research program on a specific topic. # obtained valuable experience with a view to subsequent research projects such as the fourth year Honours, MA and PhD theses.
Assessment:	A research essay of 5000 words 100% (due at the end of semester).
Prescribed Texts:	Materials available from the School
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:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # acquire particular generic skills. # research: through frequent and systematic use of the library and other information sources, the definition of areas of inquiry and familiarisation with research methods. # critical thinking and analysis: through required and recommended reading, essay writing and tutorial discussion, and by assessing the strength of arguments.

	# understanding of social, political, historical and cultural contexts and international awareness/openness to the world: through the contextualisation of judgements and knowledge, developing a critical self-awareness, being open to new ideas and new aspects of Italian culture, and by formulating arguments. # written communication: through essay and assignment preparation and writing.
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Italian Italian Italian