

# J16AB Master of Advanced Social Work

<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>	Graduate/Postgraduate
<b>Duration &amp; Credit Points:</b>	100 credit points taken over 12 months full time. This course is available as full or part time.
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<b>Course Overview:</b>	<p>The Master of Advanced Social Work (MASW) is an exciting, open-structure degree that allows you to further advance your professional development in your areas of interest. It offers a research-informed curriculum with a strong emphasis on the integration of theory and practice.</p> <p>Within a single degree stream structure, you can choose from a pool of specialist subjects and focus on specialist areas such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Child and family</li> <li># Clinical practice</li> <li># Health</li> <li># Human services management</li> <li># Mental health</li> </ul> <p>The degree is specifically tailored to experienced and qualified social workers who wish to update their knowledge and take a leadership role in their particular area of practice, or for those wishing to acquire skills in a new area.</p> <p>Learning and teaching</p>
<b>Objectives:</b>	<p>The MASW encourages an advanced practice-oriented and theoretical approach to learning. It ensures close links between theory and practice and supports self-directed and lifelong learning.</p> <p>Having already completed a first degree and worked for a minimum of two years in the field, you will bring a broad range of skills and maturity to the program. You are therefore well placed for preparation as a leader within the social work profession. You are encouraged to achieve cultural sensitivity and the capacity to engage across cultures and internationally. The program ensures academic excellence by utilising the skills of specialists working within the specialist fields.</p> <p>Benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Critical thinking and problem-solving</li> <li># A positive attitude to the acquisition of knowledge</li> <li># Intercultural sensitivity</li> <li># Communication skills</li> <li># Planning and time management</li> <li># Teamwork skills</li> </ul>
<b>Course Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	The MASW is a flexible coursework program of between one and four years' duration, depending on whether you study full-time or part-time.

<b>Subject Options:</b>	<p>8 Specialist Subjects or alternatively, you may choose to undertake five 12.5-point specialist subjects plus a 37.5-point portfolio subject:</p> <p>The specialist subjects can be taken as electives in the Master of Advanced Social Work. You can also take electives external to the School of Social Work, subject to approval by the Course Coordinator. We offer a pool of specialist subjects, most of which are on a 2-year cycle. Subject offerings are always made in accordance with current issues of relevance to social work, in a variety of fields.</p> <p>This year's specialist can be found on the social work website: <a href="http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/future_students/advanced_practice/degree_structure">http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/future_students/advanced_practice/degree_structure</a> (<a href="http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/future_students/advanced_practice/degree_structure">http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/future_students/advanced_practice/degree_structure</a>)</p>
<b>Entry Requirements:</b>	<p>Please visit the Social Work website for <b>entry requirements:</b> (<a href="http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/future_students/advanced_practice/admission_requirements">http://www.socialwork.unimelb.edu.au/future_students/advanced_practice/admission_requirements</a>)</p>
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	<p>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 courses. This course requires all students to enrol in subjects where they must actively and safely contribute to clinical/field work activities. Students who think their disability will impact on meeting this requirement are encouraged to discuss this matter with the Course Coordinator and the Disability Liaison Unit.</p>
<b>Graduate Attributes:</b>	<p>The Melbourne Experience enables our graduates to become:</p> <p>Academically excellent: have a strong sense of intellectual integrity and the ethics of scholarship  have in-depth knowledge of their specialist discipline(s)  reach a high level of achievement in writing, generic research activities, problem-solving and communication  be critical and creative thinkers, with an aptitude for continued self-directed learning  be adept at learning in a range of ways, including through information and communication technologies  Knowledgeable across disciplines: examine critically, synthesise and evaluate knowledge across a broad range of disciplines  expand their analytical and cognitive skills through learning experiences in diverse subjects  have the capacity to participate fully in collaborative learning and to confront unfamiliar problems  have a set of flexible and transferable skills for different types of employment  Leaders in communities: initiate and implement constructive change in their communities, including professions and workplaces  have excellent interpersonal and decision-making skills, including an awareness of personal strengths and limitations  mentor future generations of learners  engage in meaningful public discourse, with a profound awareness of community needs  Attuned to cultural diversity: value different cultures  be well-informed citizens able to contribute to their communities wherever they choose to live and work  have an understanding of the social and cultural diversity in our community  respect indigenous knowledge, cultures and values  Active global citizens: accept social and civic responsibilities  be advocates for improving the sustainability of the environment  have a broad global understanding, with a high regard for human rights, equity and ethics</p>