

POL90004 Major Thesis - Political Science

Credit Points:	N/A Credit points are not assigned to the research thesis subjects that are offered as part of graduate research courses. The load or weight varies according to the duration and structure of the course, enrolment status (ie. full-time or part-time), etc.
Level:	Research Higher Degree
Dates & Locations:	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: RHD First Half Year, Parkville - Taught on campus. RHD Second Half Year, Parkville - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Regular meetings with supervisor Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	Admission to the M.A. (Research Only) degree in Political Science
Corequisites:	none
Recommended Background Knowledge:	-
Non Allowed Subjects:	none
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request 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/
Coordinator:	Ms Mary Makris
Contact:	To be advised
Subject Overview:	This subject involves a school-based supervised thesis of 30,000 words, embodying the results of the student's own political research.
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # demonstrate a specialist understanding of the subject being studied. # show advanced skills of analysis pertinent to the subject. # show a detailed sense of the theoretical debates in the subject area. # show a good capacity to communicate research in written form. # demonstrate an ability to undertake critical independent research.
Assessment:	A thesis of 30 000 words 100%.
Prescribed Texts:	none
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"> # be able to conceptualise and plan a substantial project of original research. # be able to present material in draft form and engage productively with a supervisor. # be able to consolidate and enhance established skills in engaging creatively with a critical field. # be able to synthesise critical arguments and debates. # be able to test and develop new research methods in relation to ongoing debates. # be able to manage time and study resources over a sustained period of time.

	# be able to enhance drafting and writing skills, in both a critical and creative manner.
Related Course(s):	Master of Arts in Political Science (Thesis)