

# POLS90033 Rights and Public Policy

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50								
<b>Level:</b>	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)								
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.								
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: A 2-hour seminar per week. If enrolments exceed 30, the 2nd hour of the seminar may be split into 2 or 3 small classes. Total Time Commitment: 10								
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Admission to the postgraduate certificate/ diploma or fourth-year honours in political science, sociology, public policy and management or socio-legal studies, or the Master of Public Policy and Management, or Master of Social Policy.								
<b>Corequisites:</b>	This is a compulsory subject in the Master of Public Policy and Management (200 point program)								
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	Politics and International Studies or Public Policy at Undergraduate level.								
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	Any of the following subjects: 166-058 Law, Ethics and Public Policy								
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<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	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: <a href="http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/">http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/</a>								
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Ms Sana Nakata								
<b>Contact:</b>	To be advised								
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject aims to assist students with the development of skills relevant in the policy-making process. This is carried out by familiarising students with legal and political developments within a variety of rights fields and by requiring them to reflect on the institutions responsible for defining and protecting rights. We consider rights issues such as freedom of speech, sexual and racial discrimination, assisted reproductive technologies, euthanasia, Indigenous rights and the impact of bills of rights. Students who complete this subject should gain skills relevant to policy-making processes.								
<b>Objectives:</b>	Students who complete this subject should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># gain skills that are relevant to the policy-making process.</li> <li># understand recent developments within legal and ethical philosophy.</li> <li># understand the institutions (courts, parliaments and administrative agencies) responsible for implementing programs in Australia.</li> </ul>								
<b>Assessment:</b>	A research essay of 5000 words, due during the examination period.								
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	A subject reader will be available for purchase from the University Bookshop.								

<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
<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>Generic Skills:</b>	Students who complete this subject should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to apply research skills and critical methods to a field of inquiry.</li> <li># be able to develop persuasive arguments on a given topic.</li> <li># be able to communicate oral and written arguments and ideas effectively and articulately.</li> </ul>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Bachelor of Public Policy and Management Bachelor of Public Policy and Management(Honours) Master of Public Policy and Management (Coursework) Master of Social Policy
<b>Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:</b>	Political Science Political Science Political Science Public Policy and Management Public Policy and Management Socio-Legal studies Socio-legal Studies