

POPH90023 Public Health Policy

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: March, Parkville - Taught on campus. Classroom
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: One 1-hour lecture and one 1-hour tutorial per week Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	None
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Subject Overview:	In this unit, students are equipped with the knowledge and skills needed to participate competently in the development, implementation and analysis of health policy at a level appropriate to a generalist public health practitioner. This unit is taught as part of the Victorian Consortium of Public Health.
Objectives:	On completing this unit students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # analyse the impact of the major state, national and international institutions, and arrangements on health policy making; # locate the factors in the contemporary public policy environment and political landscape which influence health policy making; # demonstrate familiarity with the arguments and the politics associated with major contemporary health policy issues; # demonstrate competence in policy analysis, policy development and policy advocacy skills needed to achieve public health objectives.
Assessment:	One group project exercise and presentation (equivalent to 1,000 words each) (20%) two 600-word policy analyses (40%) one 2,000-word major policy project final report (40%)
Prescribed Texts:	Palmer, G and Short, S 2000, Health care and public policy: an Australian analysis, 3rd edn, Macmillan, Melbourne
Recommended Texts:	Buse K, Mays N, and Walt G 2005, <i>Making health policy</i> , Open University Press, Maidenhead Lewis, J 2005, <i>Health policy and politics: networks, ideas and power</i> , IP Communications, Melbourne Gardner, H and Barraclough, S 2002, <i>Health policy in Australia</i> , 2nd edn, Oxford University Press, Melbourne Duckett, S 2004, <i>The Australian health care system</i> , 2nd edn, Oxford University Press, Melbourne

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:	-
Links to further information:	http://www.sph.unimelb.edu.au
Notes:	This subject is a Master of Public Health Consortium subject.
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Epidemiology and Biostatistics Health Economics/Economic Evaluation Health Program Evaluation International Health Primary Care Sexual Health Social Health Women's Health