ABPL90098 MUD Research Project

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
	9 (Graduate/F Ostgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2011, Parkville
	This subject commences in the following study period/s:  Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus.
	Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Regular meetings with the supervisor over two consecutive semesters of enrolment. Estimated total contact hours: 120 hours. Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	Admission to the Master of Urban Design.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
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 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/
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Subject Overview:	This subject was formerly called Research Project E (Masters).
	Students will plan and carry out an independent research project on a topic of relevance to their degree course. The project will involve a critical review of the relevant literature, setting the objectives of the study, selecting an appropriate theoretical framework and research method, specifying the research questions, collecting and analysing data, and reporting results in a coherent document. Students must enrol in this subject twice for a total of 25 points over two consecutive semesters as it comprises one half of a full-year research project.
	*Note: This subject is a 25 point subject. Students must enrol in this subject twice over two consecutive semesters.
Objectives:	At the conclusion of this subject students will be able to:  # Identify and develop an appropriate research topic and refine research questions and hypotheses  # Critically analyse the literature in this field  # Identify and apply appropriate research methods
	# Synthesize and communicate research findings in both written and graphic format.
Assessment:	A literature review (due at the end of the first semester of enrolment - hurdle requirement only, not graded). A minor thesis of not more than 10,000 words - 100% (due at the end of the second semester of enrolment).
Prescribed Texts:	None
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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:	On completion of the subject students will have developed a capacity for critical research and analysis on a topic relevant to their course of study.  Students will gain the following skills:
	# Competent use of the library and other information sources
	# Critical thinking through analysis of recommended reading, essay writing, and by gauging the strength of an argument # Time management and work planning
	# Skill in attention to detail through essay preparation and writing
Links to further information:	http://www.msd.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/coursework/
Related Course(s):	Master of Urban Design Master of Urban Design

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