POPH90105 Research Project: Social Health

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
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. Supervised research project
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 36 hours; A 1 hour meeting with supervisor once a fortnight, attendance at 2 half day sessions for student oral presentations (4 hours each); attendance at 2 full day research training skills workshops (8 hours each). Total Time Commitment: 240 hours
Prerequisites:	Students entering the MPH from 2011 must have a weighted average mark of at least 70% for all relevant subjects to be eligible to enrol in the research project. Successful research project applicants will be selected on the basis of academic merit.

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90200 Principles of Social Research Design	February	12.50
POPH90201 Social Sciences Research Methods	Semester 1	12.50

Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
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.
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Subject Overview:	The research project must be in the area of social health and the topic must be approved by the nominated supervisor. Under normal circumstances, the project will involve: a) a conceptual or theoretical analysis of a given topic in social health; or b) an analysis of existing data relevant to social health. Collection and analysis of primary data may be undertaken, but only with the specific approval of the subject co-ordinator, in consultation with the nominated supervisor. Supervisors will be University academic staff with research capacity and interest in social health.
Objectives:	Upon completion of this subject, students should have demonstrated their ability to: # Complete a critical literature review at masters level

	# Frame a research question and choose appropriate methods of investigation # Design and conduct on stated research topic in social health # Complete analysis of a stated research topic in social health # Present their research in a written report of an appropriate academic standard # Communicate their research effectively and appropriately in oral form to an audience.
Assessment:	A 15 minute work in progress oral presentation due during the first week of the second semester of enrolment (10%); a 30 minute final oral presentation due during the final week of the second semester of enrolment (20%); a research report of between 8,000 and 10,000 words, due during the examination period of the second semester of enrolment (70%). Students must pass the written research report (hurdle).
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:	Upon completion of this subject, students will have developed skills in: # Critical thinking and analysis, # Initiative, autonomy and organization, # Problem-solving, # Finding, evaluating and using relevant information, # Oral communication, # Written communication.
Links to further information:	http://www.sph.unimelb.edu.au
Notes:	
Related Course(s):	Master of Public Health
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Social Health