

## PPMN90002 Minor Thesis - Public /Social Policy

<b>Credit Points:</b>	18.75
<b>Level:</b>	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2011, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: Regular meetings with the supervisor over two consecutive semesters of enrolment. Total Time Commitment: Not available
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	None
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	Public Policy or Sociology at Undergraduate level
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	166-517 Minor Thesis - Public/Social Policy166-522 / PPMN90005 Individual Research Project
<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>
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<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject involves a supervised thesis of 12 000 words, embodying the results of the student's own research.
<b>Objectives:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># demonstrate a specialist understanding of the subject being studied.</li> <li># show advanced skills of analysis pertinent to the subject.</li> <li># show a detailed sense of the theoretical debates in the subject area.</li> <li># demonstrate an ability to undertake critical independent research.</li> <li># show a good capacity to communicate research in written form.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A thesis of 12000 words (100%) due in October for students who commence in semester 1, and June for students who commence in semester 2. Hurdle Requirements - The following hurdle requirements must be met in order for students to be eligible to submit the final Thesis: 1. Supervision: Regular supervisory meetings 2. Topic Proposal Form: To be submitted by the first week of the Semester of thesis enrolment 3. Progress Report: To be submitted half way through the thesis year 4. Thesis Draft: A full draft of the thesis is to be submitted approximately 5 weeks prior to the final thesis submission date. Final Theses submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 2% per working day.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	none
<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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to conceptualise and plan a substantial project of original research.</li> <li># be able to present material in draft form and engage productively with a supervisor.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to consolidate and enhance established skills in engaging creatively with a critical field.</li> <li># be able to synthesise critical arguments and debates.</li> <li># be able to test and develop new research methods in relation to ongoing debates.</li> <li># be able to enhance drafting and writing skills, in both a critical and creative manner.</li> <li># be able to manage time and study resources over a sustained period of time.</li> </ul>
<b>Notes:</b>	<p>PPMN90002 Minor Thesis - Public / Social Policy is available to students enrolled in the 100 - point program of the Master of Public Policy and Management or Master of Social Policy. Students are required to submit a 300 word thesis proposal for approval by the course coordinator prior to the semester of enrolment in the thesis.</p> <p>PPMN90002 Minor Thesis - Public / Social Policy is also available to students enrolled in the final 100 points in the 200 point program of the Master of Public Policy and Management or Master of Social Policy. To be eligible to enrol in the thesis, students must have completed at least 37.5 points of core subjects within the program, with an average of H1 (80%) and have submitted a 300 word thesis proposal for approval by the course coordinator prior to the semester of enrolment in the thesis.</p>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	<p>Master of Public Policy and Management (Coursework) Master of Social Policy</p>