

SOTH40004 Social Theory Thesis

Credit Points:	18.75
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2011. Research Subject.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Regular contact with supervisor over the period of enrolment Total Time Commitment: An average of 10 hours each week Enrolment in this thesis subject must be over two consecutive semesters
Prerequisites:	None.
Corequisites:	None.
Recommended Background Knowledge:	Students enrolling in this subject must have completed a Bachelor of Arts degree or equivalent.
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: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/
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Subject Overview:	An approved topic will be selected in consultation with the coordinator. This is the Thesis subject for students studying the Postgraduate Diploma in Social Theory and for pre 2008 students completing Social Theory combined honours. New Gen students interested in Social Theory Honours should see the Honours thesis in Anthropology and Social Theory ANTH40007.
Objectives:	At the completion of this project students project will <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # have knowledge of the major ideas and theories of classical and contemporary social theory. # have background in the classical and contemporary social theory on which to base further research and study in the area. # have experience of thinking systematically about difficult intellectual problems of an abstract nature. # have practice conducting research, speaking articulately, writing clearly and reading with attention to detail. # have experience with methods of critical analysis and argument employed in social theory, leading to improved general reasoning and analytical skills.
Assessment:	A 12,000 word thesis 100% (due at the end of the second semester of enrolment).
Prescribed Texts:	Appropriate texts will be determined in consultation with the thesis supervisor.
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:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # develop skills in written and oral communication. # conduct independent research. # make appropriate use of primary and secondary sources in mounting an argument.

	# form defensible judgements based on a critical evaluation of conflicting arguments.
Links to further information:	http://www.pasi.unimelb.edu.au/social-theory/
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Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations:	Social Theory Social Theory