

## DEVT90009 Understanding Development

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50
<b>Level:</b>	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2012, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Standard
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 2 ( 1x 2 hour seminar per week) Total Time Commitment: An average of 10 hours each week
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	None.
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None.
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	Students who enrol in this subject must be enrolled in a Masters by coursework degree.
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None.
<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 forms an introduction to the main past and current theories of development, involving the approaches of several social science disciplines. It also considers many of the major issues in development, including the environment, gender, human rights, globalisation, governance, non-governmental organisations, poverty, and trade. Students should become familiar with the relationship between theories of development and development practice. The subject seeks to foster skills in critical thinking, communication, and group work.
<b>Objectives:</b>	Students who successfully complete this subject will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to explain the main theories of development.</li> <li># understand key issues in development studies and development policy.</li> <li># have familiarity with the relationship between theories of development and development practice.</li> <li># engage in critical thinking about development theory and practice.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A 1500 word essay (40%) due mid- semester, and a 3500 word major essay (60%) due during the examination period. Hurdle Requirement: Students are required to attend a minimum of 80% of classes in order to qualify to have their written work assessed. Students who fail to meet this hurdle requirement will be deemed ineligible to submit the final piece of assessment for this subject. Regular participation in class is required. Assessment that is submitted after the due date and up to 10 working days late without an approved extension will be marked on a pass/fail basis only. Assessment that is submitted later than 10 working days will not be accepted or marked. In-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject.

<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	To be advised by coordinator
<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>	Students who successfully complete this subject will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to think critically (for example, about development and its measures).</li> <li># obtain information to evaluate propositions (about development).</li> <li># write coherent and researched essays.</li> <li># work in teams (to identify answers to practical problems).</li> </ul>
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.ssps.unimelb.edu.au/study/ads/">http://www.ssps.unimelb.edu.au/study/ads/</a>
<b>Notes:</b>	This subject is compulsory in both the 097AB Master of Development and 097GD Master of Development (Gender and development) 100 point, 150 point and 200 point programs.
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Master of Arts (Professional and Applied Ethics) Master of Development Studies (Gender & Development) Master of Development Studies(CWT) Master of Global Media Communication Master of Journalism Master of Social Policy
<b>Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:</b>	Development Development Studies Development Studies Development Studies Energy Efficiency Modelling and Implementation Energy Studies