LING20009 Language in Aboriginal Australia

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	2 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2012, Parkville  This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. On campus
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 2 x 1 hour lectures and 1 x 1 hour tutorial per week. There will be no tutorials in the first or last weeks of semester. Total Time Commitment: 3 contact hours/week, 5.5 additional hours/week. Total of 8.5 hours per week.
Prerequisites:	none
Corequisites:	none
Recommended Background Knowledge:	none
Non Allowed Subjects:	Formerly available as 175-214/314 and 175-018/674-310. Students who have completed these subjects are not eligible to enrol in this subject.
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:	This subject develops an appreciation of the role of language in Aboriginal Australia, traditionally and today. On completion of the subject, students should have a general knowledge of the linguistic features which characterise Australian Aboriginal languages, including characteristics of grammar and pronunciation, and understand the ways in which social factors affect language structure and use in Aboriginal Australia.
Objectives:	<ul> <li># have developed an appreciation of the role of language in Aboriginal Australia, traditionally and today.</li> <li># have a general knowledge of the linguistic features which characterise Australian languages, including phonological and grammatical characteristics.</li> <li># understand the ways in which social factors affect language structure and use in Aboriginal Australia.</li> <li># be able to crack the code of unfamiliar languages and cultures.</li> <li># appreciate the complexities of Australian indigenous cultures, as they surface in their languages.</li> </ul>
Assessment:	Problem-solving assignments totalling 2000 words 50% (due throughout the semester) and an essay of 2000 words 50% (end of semester). This subject has the following hurdle requirements: Regular participation in tutorials is required with a minimum of 75% attendance. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject. Assessment submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 10% per day and in-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked.
Prescribed Texts:	Language and Culture in Aboriginal Australia (Walsh & Yallop) 2005

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Breadth Options:	This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses:  # Bachelor of Biomedicine (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-BMED)  # Bachelor of Commerce (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-COM)  # Bachelor of Environments (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-ENVS)  # Bachelor of Music (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-MUS)  # Bachelor of Science (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-SCI)  # Bachelor of Engineering (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-ENG)  You should visit learn more about breadth subjects (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	# be able to step outside their own language and culture.  # be able to articulate concepts important in other cultures.  # be able to imagine and get inside the mental world of other cultures.
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Australian Indigenous Studies Australian Indigenous Studies Australian Indigenous Studies Australian Indigenous Studies Major Linguistics and Applied Linguistics
Related Breadth Track(s):	Linguistics: Language in its social and cultural context

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