

## MULT20002 Research Topics and Methods

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50
<b>Level:</b>	2 (Undergraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	This subject is not offered in 2012. On campus
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 3 Total Time Commitment: 8.5
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	37.5 points in French, Italian or Spanish
<b>Corequisites:</b>	Enrolment in one elective in French, Italian or Spanish
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	none
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	Students who have completed Research Topics and Methods at Level 3 are not allowed to enrol in this subject.
<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>	The subject will be taught in modules, each the responsibility of a particular lecturer. The team will be drawn from across the French, Italian and Spanish programs. Staff will give an introduction to their own current research projects, will explain to students how the topic is formulated, how it emerges from its field, its relation with previous research in the field, and the objectives of the research. The subject will thus give students an idea of the range of research undertaken in the School, and will give them preliminary training in the devising of an independent project.
<b>Objectives:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># learn to formulate them in such a way as to proceed towards answers.</li> <li># learn to read academic research in the areas presented.</li> <li># identify gaps or issues in those areas.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	Written work totalling 4000 words comprising five exercises of 800 words each 10% each (due throughout semester) and an annotated bibliography 50% (due at the end of semester).
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	One file of readings per module to be distributed in class.
<b>Recommended Texts:</b>	There is no secondary reading beyond that which is set for each module and the annotated bibliography that will be compiled by each student
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	<p>This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># <b>Bachelor of Environments</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-ENVS">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-ENVS</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Music</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-MUS">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2012/B-MUS</a>)</li> </ul> <p>You should visit <a href="http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html">learn more about breadth subjects (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html)</a> and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p>
<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># On completion of this subject students should: learn to analyse material for unsolved problems or for issues requiring investigation.</li> <li># learn how to question previously obtained results productively and what kinds of methods of investigation suit what kinds of problems.</li> </ul>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Diploma in Modern Languages (French) Diploma in Modern Languages (Spanish)
<b>Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations:</b>	French French French French Spanish Major Spanish and Latin American Studies Spanish and Latin American Studies Spanish and Latin American Studies