

NRMT90021 Project Management

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2012, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: June, Parkville - Taught online/distance. This subject is delivered online via the University's Learning Management System (LMS). The 2012 commencement date is 24th June, 2012. The subject will be open on LMS approximately two weeks prior to the subject commencement date. This subject is taught off campus, or using blended delivery (on and off campus), confirm dates with Faculty
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: This subject is taught using multimedia teaching techniques and is based around business case studies. There is the equivalent of 2 hours of face-to-face contact per week for this subject for on-campus students Total Time Commitment: 112 hours. This subject is run over an 8-week period as opposed to a standard 12 week semester subject. It is recommended that students devote 14 hours per week to this subject over 8 weeks.
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	Students must be able to perform word processing, use Excel spreadsheets, and have a reasonable understanding of the Internet and the University's Learning Management System.
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	It is University policy to take all steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel they have a disability that will impact on meeting the requirements in this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with the Subject Coordinator and Disability Liaison Unit.
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Subject Overview:	The subject will provide an overview of the management issues associated with initiating, implementing and terminating projects. Particular emphasis will be given to the planning dimension in areas such as; project or problem selection; defining project scope; identification of project stakeholders; project scheduling; and resource allocation. A range of suitable action research methods will be introduced to complement project management approaches. Project Management approaches can be applied to work related issues or problems or a range of research related projects.
Objectives:	The objective of this subject is to extend the participant's ability to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # to analyse the critical aspects of an industry firm or problem or research related problem; # understand management issues associated with initiating, implementing and terminating projects; # develop a project management plan for a given project opportunity allowing for the constraints imposed by finite resources and time constraints.
Assessment:	Online discussion participation (20%); Written assignment of 3,000 words (40%); Project management proposal 3,000 words (40%).*Online discussion is an integral component of this subject - a minimum grade of 50% is required in this component.

Prescribed Texts:	Dobie, C. (2007). A Handbook of Project Management. Allen & Unwin.
Recommended Texts:	Further readings will be available online.
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:	<p>It is expected students will develop:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # A profound respect for truth, intellectual and professional integrity and the ethics of scholarship # Capacity for independent critical thought, rational inquiry and self-directed learning and research # Ability to derive, interpret and analyse information from primary and other sources in addressing specific management problems and decision making # Ability to integrate information across related management disciplines to solve problems in applied situations # Highly developed written communication skills to allow informed dialogue with individuals and groups from industry, government and the community # Ability to collaborate, exchange ideas and debate across on-line learning platforms # Ability to plan, use time effectively and manage small projects.
Related Course(s):	<p>Master of Agribusiness (Coursework) Master of Agribusiness (Coursework) Master of Agricultural Science Master of Animal Science Master of Food Science Master of Forest Ecosystem Science Master of Urban Horticulture Postgraduate Diploma in Agricultural Science Postgraduate Diploma in Animal Science and Management</p>