

FRST90030 Forests in the Asia Pacific Region

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2013. Intensive subject from 17-29 November 2013. International field tour
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 24 hours lectures and 24 hours of tutorials, during two-week intensive international field tour Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
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:	The Asia Pacific region is of crucial importance to Australia and to the future management of global forest resources. The region has over half the world's population and countries with the fastest growing populations and economies. This is placing increased demand on forest resources in the region and elsewhere. There are extensive spiritual and cultural associations between people and forests in this region and an extensive history of forest use and development. In this subject students experience the diversity of connections between forests and people in Laos and Vietnam to illustrate the importance of forests to local and national development, and contemporary forest policy and management challenges in the region. The program includes policy briefings and site visits to conservation and production forests, local village forests, hydropower and plantation development projects and small- and large-scale forest industries.
Objectives:	At the completion of this subject students will have an advanced understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # The forest ecosystems of the SE Asia and their role in human development # Forest management and governance systems for different parts of the Asia Pacific region # Current issues and future trends in forest policy and management in the Region
Assessment:	Pre-tour reading assignment (1500 words) 20%, field tour journal 20%, field tour group work 10%, major assignment (3000 words) 50% It is a hurdle requirement that students must attend the field trip.
Prescribed Texts:	Leslie, RN (ed.), The Future of Forests in the Asia Pacific: Outlook for 2020. UN Food and Agriculture Organisation, Bangkok. Also available online at http://www.fao.org/docrep/011/i0627e/i0627e00.htm
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.

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Related Course(s):	Master of Forest Ecosystem Science
Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations:	Sustainable Forests