

GC-CRIMSOM Specialist Certificate in Criminology (Sexual Offender Management)

Year and Campus:	2014 - Parkville											
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees											
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate											
Duration & Credit Points:	25 credit points taken over 6 months part time.											
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Course Overview:	<p>Melbourne Custom Programs proposes to introduce a new postgraduate coursework program called the Specialist Certificate in Criminology (Sexual Offender Management) in partnership with the School of Social and Political Sciences. The course has been developed in response to a request by Corrections Victoria for a professional development program for correctional staff with responsibility for the case management of sexual offenders. The proposed course is modelled on the Specialist Certificate in Criminology (Forensic Disability) that has been provided by the University of Melbourne since 2009, and comprises two subjects (Introduction to Sexual Offender Management and Advanced Practice in Sexual Offender Management). The subject will be delivered by Dr. Mayumi Purvis, who holds a PhD in Criminology from the University of Melbourne, and Ms. Simone Shaw, who holds a Masters in Forensic Psychology. Both Dr. Purvis and Ms. Shaw are experienced practitioners in this field. No accredited training of this type is currently available in Victoria or elsewhere in Australia.</p> <p>This proposal has been endorsed by the School of Social and Political Sciences and the Faculty of Arts.</p>											
Learning Outcomes:	Students who complete the course will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # develop an advanced understanding of the psychology of sexual offending behaviour and the criminal justice system; # develop their knowledge of the appropriate professional skills to be utilised with different types of offenders and in diverse contexts; # develop self-care strategies to better protect themselves against vicarious trauma; # emerge with an advanced understanding of relevant cultural, legal, policy and political issues; 											
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	Students must complete 2 core subjects listed below. Students must attend all sessions of the course unless a specific exemption is granted by the program coordinator.											
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Entry Requirements:	1. The Selection Committee will evaluate the applicant's ability to pursue successfully the course using the following criteria – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # An undergraduate degree with a major area of study related to psychology, criminology or a cognate social science discipline; # An undergraduate degree and at least one year of relevant professional work experience 											

	<p># Extensive relevant professional work experience which demonstrates the capacity to successfully undertake the course.</p> <p>2. The Selection Committee may conduct interviews and tests and may call for referee reports or employer references to elucidate any of the matters referred to above.</p>
Core Participation Requirements:	<p>Specialist Certificate in Criminology (Sexual Offender Management) welcomes applications from students with disabilities. It is University and degree policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the degree. For the purposes of considering requests for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Commonwealth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this course are articulated in the Course Overview, Objectives and Generic Skills sections of this entry. It is University policy to take all reasonable 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 their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this course are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and the Disability Liaison Unit: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/</p>
Further Study:	n/a
Professional Accreditation:	n/a
Generic Skills:	<p>Though participation in the course and completion of assessment students should acquire skills in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity for independent critical thought, rational inquiry and self-directed learning; • An ability to derive, interpret and analyse social and technical information from primary and other sources; • Awareness of and ability to utilise appropriate inter-personal communication methods; • Highly developed written and verbal communication skills to allow informed dialogue about case management issues with individuals and groups; • Ability to investigate, analyse and solve problems in applied situations; • Highly developed skills in time and organisational management through participation in all subjects.
Links to further information:	http://www.commercial.unimelb.edu.au/courses