

ABPL90217 MSD Minor Thesis

Credit Points:	12.5		
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)		
Dates & Locations:	2015, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.		
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 12 hours in the form of 6 x 2 hour seminars meeting in weeks 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 OR equivalent. Total Time Commitment: 170 hours		
Prerequisites:	Admission into MC-URPL Master of Urban Planning, or approval from the subject coordinator, plus completion of 100 points of the following subjects:		
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	ABPL90134 Planning Theory and History	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90135 Analytical Methods	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90130 Planning Law & Statutory Planning	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90131 Strategic Plan Making	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90246 The Economies of Cities and Regions	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90064 Planning Urban Sustainability	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90132 Land Use and Urban Design	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90315 Urban Governance	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90266 Inclusive Cities	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90009 Participation and Negotiation	July	12.50
	ABPL90281 Housing, Markets, Policy and Planning	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90077 Transportation, Land Use and Urban Form	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90279 Cities Without Slums	July	12.50
	ABPL90065 Managing Global City Regions	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90320 Building Resilient Settlements	November	12.50
	ABPL90279 Cities Without Slums	July	12.50
	ATOC90002 Climate Affairs	Semester 2	12.50
	ENST90004 Climate Change Politics and Policy	Semester 2	12.50
	EVSC90015 Environmental Impact Assessment	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90319 GIS In Planning, Design & Development	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90022 Healthy Communities	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90281 Housing, Markets, Policy and Planning	Semester 2	12.50
	ABPL90266 Inclusive Cities	Semester 1	12.50
	ABPL90040 International Property Development B	June	12.50

	ABPL90065 Managing Global City Regions	Semester 2	12.50						
	ABPL90306 MUP Independent Study	January, Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50						
	ABPL90009 Participation and Negotiation	July	12.50						
	ABPL90055 Planning Asia Pacific Cities Studio	Not offered 2015	12.50						
	ABPL90026 Property Development	Semester 1	12.50						
	ABPL90090 Public Transport Network Planning	Semester 1	12.50						
	ENST90002 Social Impact Assessment and Evaluation	Semester 2	12.50						
	MULT90004 Sustainability Governance and Leadership	March, July	12.50						
	ABPL90056 Sustainable Transport and Public Policy	Semester 1	12.50						
	ABPL90077 Transportation, Land Use and Urban Form	Semester 2	12.50						
	CVEN90048 Transport Systems	Semester 2	12.50						
	Under particular circumstances and with approval from the subject coordinator some or all of the above prerequisites may be waived.								
	OR Admission into MC-URBDES Master of Urban Design, plus completion of the following subject:								
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ABPL90017 Urban Design Theory	Semester 1	12.50							
	OR Written approval from the subject coordinator and the program coordinator.								
Corequisites:	None								
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None								
Non Allowed Subjects:	ABPL90217 MUP Minor Thesis (1) (Masters) (../view/2011/ABPL90217)								
Core Participation Requirements:	<p><p>For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.</p> <p>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 subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and Student Equity and Disability Support: http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</p></p>								
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Subject Overview:	<p>The subject introduces students in the Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning to the skills necessary to conduct rigorous and original research. It also enables them to effectively communicate their research findings in a clear and systematic manner.</p> <p>The first semester of this subject concentrates on the preliminary stages of research from defining a research question, to understanding various research approaches and paradigms, through to planning and beginning implementation of the research.</p> <p>The second semester of this subject concentrates on the middle to final stages of research from the implementation of a research plan, to effectively interpreting and presenting results of the research plan implemented.</p> <p>Regular meetings with a supervisor allow the student to obtain advice and guidance for completion of an independent study.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Identify an appropriate research topic; # critically analyse literature; # develop appropriate research questions / hypotheses; # plan and implement key aspects of a successful research program; # select and implement appropriate research methods # implement key aspects of a successful research program; # implement appropriate research methods; # appropriately and efficiently analyse research undertaken; # draw meaningful and robust conclusions from the research process implemented; and # implement high level oral, written and visual presentation skills.
Assessment:	<p>Submission of research proposal (5,000 words). Due last week of first semester of enrolment. Hurdle requirement (pass / fail) Oral presentation based upon research proposals. Due last week of first semester of enrolment. Hurdle requirement (pass / fail) Minor Thesis - 10,000 words including the 5000 word research proposal submitted at the end of first semester. Due last week of second semester of enrolment 100% The 5,000 word research proposal may be further refined for incorporation into the Minor Thesis in the second semester of enrolment. A pass must be attained in both the research proposal and the oral presentation in order to pass the subject overall. A pass grade in both the research proposal and the oral presentation is required in order to progress to the second semester of the subject. Students who do not attain passes in these assessment components will be required to repeat the first semester.</p>
Prescribed Texts:	None
Recommended Texts:	<p>Bourma, G. D., and Ling, R. (2004), The Research Process, Melbourne: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Evans, D. (2000). How to Write a Better Thesis or Report, Melbourne: Melbourne University Press.</p>
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>To have a strong sense of intellectual integrity and the ethics of scholarship;</p> <p>Reach a high level of achievement in writing, generic research activities, problem solving and communication;</p> <p>Be critical and creative thinkers, with an aptitude for continued self directed learning.</p>
Related Course(s):	<p>Master of Urban Design</p> <p>Master of Urban Planning</p>