

EDUC90738 Research Project

Credit Points:	18.75
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. This subject is completed over two semesters commencing in semester 2 and finishing in semester 1 of the following year.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 54 hours, regular meetings as negotiated with supervisor. Total Time Commitment: 360 hours. Attendance at all classes (tutorial/seminars/practical classes/lectures/labs/online classes) is obligatory. Failure to attend 80% of classes will normally result in failure in the subject.
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 website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability
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Subject Overview:	Students negotiate an individual project relating to education with an individual supervisor. The project includes a critical review of relevant academic and research literature and a research project relating to educational practice.
Learning Outcomes:	On completion of this subject students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Demonstrate in depth knowledge in a particular field in education; # Understand the theoretical context of an issue of concern in education # Understand the purpose of selected research methodologies # Use research processes with due regard to ethical procedures # Demonstrate a capacity to engage in reflective, critical discussion of the area of particular interest.
Assessment:	A research report (15,000 words), due at end of second semester of enrolment, (100%).
Prescribed Texts:	Kervin, L., Vialle, W., Herrington, J. & Okely, T. (2006). Research for Educators. Melbourne: Thomson Social Science Press. MacNaughton, G. Rolfe, S. & Siraj-Blatchford, I. (Eds.) (2010). Doing early childhood research: International perspectives on theory and practice. Hoboken: Taylor and Francis [Electronic Resource]. Mukherji, P. & Albon, D. (2010). Research Methods in Early Childhood: An Introductory Guide, Sage Publications. Schwandt, T. A. (2007). The SAGE dictionary of qualitative inquiry, 3rd edition, Los Angeles, Calif.; London: SAGE [Electronic Resource]. Stake, R. (2010). Qualitative research: Studying how things work, New York, Guildford Press [Electronic Resource].

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>On completion of this subject, teacher candidates will have the knowledge, skills and understanding to enable them to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Be skilled communicators who can effectively articulate and justify relationships between theory research and teaching # Be flexible and able to adapt to change through knowing how to learn using research processes; # Understand the significance of developing their practice on the basis of research evidence; # Work in teams with skills in cooperation, communication and negotiation to engage in reflective and critical discussion of research in education; # Be independent of mind, responsible, resilient, self-regulating; # Have a conscious personal and social values base and apply to their work
Links to further information:	http://www.education.unimelb.edu.au/
Related Course(s):	Graduate Certificate in Educational Research Master of Teaching (Early Childhood) Master of Teaching (Secondary) Postgraduate Certificate in Educational Research