

GEOG90018 Contemporary Geographical Thought

Credit Points:	12.5												
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)												
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2015.												
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 3 hours per week: 1 x 1.5-hour lecture and 1 x 1.5-hour tutorial. Total Time Commitment: 120 hours												
Prerequisites:	Nil												
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Recommended Background Knowledge:	An undergraduate degree with a major in Geography, or equivalent (e.g. Environmental Studies)												
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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>												
Contact:	<p>The Faculty of Science Phone: 13 MELB (13 6352) Email: 13MELB@unimelb.edu.au (mailto:13MELB@unimelb.edu.au)</p>												
Subject Overview:	<p>This subject is concerned with the history and philosophy of geography and is designed to introduce students to key debates, both past and present, on the nature and scope of geography as an academic discipline. It therefore sets out an essential context for understanding contemporary research in human and physical geography, as well for understanding the nature of interdisciplinary research. Students who complete this subject will be able to think critically about different schools of geographical thought; be able to evaluate theoretical concepts from geography and elsewhere; and be able to demonstrate an</p>												

	understanding of the dynamic and contested nature of the discipline. Students will also gain insights into two selected issues at the leading-edge of contemporary geographical research.
Learning Outcomes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # To understand the current directions of research programs in geography. # To gain some grounding in the history, philosophy or scope of the discipline of geography. # To be aware of the methodological principles underlying those research programs. # To know the central findings of those research program. # To obtain knowledge in some of the cutting edge contemporary issues in geographical research.
Assessment:	Major Essay plan (1 page bullet-point format), end of week 7: 10%Major Essay (2500 words), end of week 10: 50%Oral presentation (15 minutes), during semester: 10%Minor essay – Contemporary Issues 1 (1250 words), end of week 5: 15%Minor essay – Contemporary Issues 2 (1250 words), end of semester: 15%
Prescribed Texts:	Nil
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:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # To demonstrate advanced literature research skills. # To demonstrate advanced oral and written communication skills. # To demonstrate the ability and self-confidence to comprehend complex contemporary geographical debates and concepts.
Related Course(s):	Master of Science (Geography)