

## PPMN90045 Government Today 1

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.5
<b>Level:</b>	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	This subject is not offered in 2015.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: A 2-hour seminar per week for 12 weeks. Total Time Commitment: 170 Hours
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	None
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	None
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	<p>&lt;p&gt;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.&lt;/p&gt;         &lt;p&gt;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: &lt;a href="http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability"&gt;http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability&lt;/a&gt;&lt;/p&gt;</p>
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<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject examines contemporary issues in policymaking and governing and how they are addressed. It draws on the expertise of prominent academic and practitioner visitors to the Melbourne School of Government and reflects the core research areas of the Melbourne School of Government. Students will have the opportunity to explore these issues through various topics areas at the global, national, and local levels, under these themes: Governance and Performance; Knowledge and Expertise in Public Policy; Security and Political Engagement; and Governing Markets.
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	Students who successfully complete this subject will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand contemporary challenges in governing in both theory and practice;</li> <li>• Appreciate the connections between various academic disciplines and how this informs theory and practice in governing;</li> <li>• Understand the critical role of policy actors across the corporate, non-government, and government sectors • Explore the local, national, regional, and global factors that impact on these policy actors and their environment.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A research paper of 2,500 words (50%) due in Week 6 of Semester. A policy brief of 2,500 words (50%) due in the examination period. Hurdle Requirement: Students are required to attend a minimum of 75% of classes in order to qualify to have their written work assessed. Regular participation in class is required. Assessment submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 10% per working day. In-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	All readings will be provided on the subject LMS.
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>

<b>Generic Skills:</b>	<p>On completion of this subject students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to demonstrate competence in critical, creative and theoretical thinking through essay writing, seminar discussion and presentations, conceptualising theoretical problems, forming judgments and arguments from conflicting evidence, and by critical analysis;</li> <li># be able to demonstrate proficiency in the application of analysis skills to empirical problems;</li> <li># be able to demonstrate an understanding of the academic protocols of research and presentation.</li> </ul>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	<p>Master of Public Administration  Master of Public Administration (Enhanced)</p>
<b>Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:</b>	<p>100 Point Master of Development Studies  100 Point Master of International Relations  100 Point Master of Public Policy and Management  150 Point Master of Development Studies  150 Point Master of Public Policy and Management  200 Point Master of Development Studies  200 Point Master of International Relations  200 Point Master of Public Policy and Management  Gender and Development Specialisation - 100 Point Program  Gender and Development Specialisation - 150 Point Program  Gender and Development Specialisation - 200 Point Program</p>