

## Master of Arts (Thesis only) - Theatre Studies

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<b>Overview:</b>	The masters degree is designed for students to develop advanced skills in carrying out independent and sustained research in theatre studies. The thesis should demonstrate a critical application of specialist knowledge and make an independent contribution to existing scholarship in the area of research . Candidates may apply to submit up to 50% of the thesis as a creative work. In this case, the thesis is submitted in two parts: a written dissertation, minimum 15,000 words and a creative work (usually a written playscript or a live performance) that is equivalent of up to 15,000 words.
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	<p><b>Students who complete the Master of Arts (Thesis only) in this area of specialisation should:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to conduct advanced level critical analysis and interpretation of text and performance that incorporates literary, semiotic, historical and theoretical studies;</li> <li># appreciate the critical and creative dimensions of theatre and performance;</li> <li># demonstrate advanced level understanding of key thinkers and practitioners in theatre and theatre theory and criticism;</li> <li># recognise and explain textual and performative strategies to do with genre and theatricality; and</li> <li># appreciate and/or demonstrate advanced level creative practice.</li> </ul>
<b>Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	<p><b>Duration:</b> 1.5 years full-time / 3 years part-time</p> <p><b>The Master of Arts (Thesis only) in this area of specialisation requires:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># thesis 30,000 words</li> <li># combined dissertation and creative work (not more than 50% of thesis; example, a dissertation of 15,000 words plus equivalent creative work)</li> </ul> <p><b>Please note:</b> the creative work and dissertation must be presented as a coherent whole. Students will work closely with their supervisor(s) to develop a coherent research project that fits these guidelines.</p>
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<a href="http://culture-communication.unimelb.edu.au/">http://culture-communication.unimelb.edu.au/</a>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Master of Arts (Thesis only)