

GEOG40003 Advancing Geography & Environmental Stud

Credit Points:	6.25
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2016, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus. This subject has a combined points total of 12.5. Students should enrol into the Semester 1 availability of this subject as well as the Semester 2 availability. Please contact your student centre for assistance.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Regular meetings with the program coordinator Total Time Commitment: Approximately 300 hours over two semesters
Prerequisites:	N/A
Corequisites:	N/A
Recommended Background Knowledge:	N/A
Non Allowed Subjects:	N/A
Core Participation Requirements:	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. This course requires all students to enrol in subjects where they must actively and safely contribute to field excursions and laboratory activities. Students who feel their disability will impact on meeting this requirement are encouraged to discuss this matter with the Subject Coordinator and Disability Liaison http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/ students email: disability-liaison@unimelb.edu.au
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Subject Overview:	Students of this subject will undertake a course of directed reading and produce an essay on an approved topic. Possible areas of study include: what is meant by "geography"; what problems have been and are being faced by geography as an academic discipline; what makes geography valuable (or not!) as a discipline; what "matters" are compelling and in what sense; what role can or should geography play; what are the 'hot topics' in geography? Permission to undertake this subject must be obtained from the Geography honours coordinator.
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; and • To know the central findings of those research programs.
Assessment:	Seminar journal (1500 words, due by the end of the second semester of this subject) 20%; 3000-word essay (due at the end of the second semester of this subject) 80%
Prescribed Texts:	There is no prescribed text; references to key reading materials will be provided.
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 communication skills;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To demonstrate the ability and self-confidence to comprehend complex contemporary geographical debates and concepts; and• To be capable of undertaking directed research in one of those research programs.
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Bachelor of Environments (Honours) Environmental Geography Geography Honours Program - Geography