

## MECM70001 Shorter Thesis - Media & Communications

<b>Credit Points:</b>	0
<b>Level:</b>	Research Higher Degree
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2016, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: RHD First Half Year, Parkville - Taught on campus. RHD Second Half Year, Parkville - Taught on campus.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: Regular, documented consultations with the supervisor as arranged. Total Time Commitment: Regular, documented consultations with the supervisor as arranged. Meetings should normally occur fortnightly and should be at least of half an hour duration.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Admission to the Master of Arts (Media and Communication) Advanced Seminar and Shorter Thesis
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	None
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	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 Unit website: <a href="http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/">http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/</a>
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<b>Subject Overview:</b>	Supervised research project of 20,000 - 22,000 words, on a topic approved by the course coordinator. This thesis is undertaken by candidates enrolled in the Master of Arts in Media Communication (Advanced Seminar and Shorter Thesis) course, and is weighted at 75% of the overall mark for the degree.
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	Students who complete this subject should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to demonstrate that they can conceive, design, execute and present a self-developed and sustained inquiry;</li> <li># be able to marshal and balance empirical findings and theoretical discussion as appropriate to their self-defined topic of interest;</li> <li># be able to present in written mode a sustained, structured and sequenced presentation that conforms to the protocols of academic presentation; and</li> <li># be able to demonstrate research reflexivity in respect of their confrontation with research findings, research performance and positions of theory.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A thesis of 20,000 - 22,000 words.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	None
<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>	Students who successfully complete this subject should be able to:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li># demonstrate an informed awareness of the changing international and global contexts of media communication and how these are currently being researched and studied;</li><li># demonstrate understanding of major positions of theory and debate informing the study of global media communication and be able to critically engage with these;</li><li># deploy methods and selected methodology in sustained media and communication research;</li><li># demonstrate specialist knowledge in the area of their research and present research findings and argument in a suitably structured and sequenced thesis that conforms to protocols of academic presentation and research practice; and</li><li># demonstrate an adequate understanding of, and commitment to, research ethics in their research practice.</li></ul>
<b>Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:</b>	MA (AS&ST) Media and Communications