POLI 7002 TRANSLATION FROM THEORY AND RESEARCH TO POLICY

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 102180

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Description The focus of study in this subject is on policy-making and implementation and the place of theory and research in policy formation. In the first part of the subject students explore the nature of public policy - addressing constructs of policy and policy-making and approaches to analysing public policy. The political and social practices of policy-making and implementation in Australia are contextualised and examined at the local, national and global levels. The second part of the subject takes examples of policy-making in the field of social sciences and examines the role of theory and research in the problematisation of issues and identification of solutions. The identification of competing interests, relations of power and key players in understanding, analysing and responding to policy and its outcomes will be undertaken.

School Social Sciences

Discipline Policy Studies

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in a postgraduate program.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate critical understanding of the links between theory/research/policy
2. Distinguish between different levels of policy-making:- global, national, local; - state, corporate, community.
3. Appraise the competing interests and power relations in policy-making processes
4. Operationalise strategies for developing, analysing and responding to policy outcomes

Subject Content

Links between theory/research/policy
Local and global political/social frameworks that shape policy making in the Australian context
Competing interests, relations of power and key players in understanding and analysing policy and its outcomes
Levels of policy-formation and implementation: government, community, corporations and organisations
Examples of translation from theory/research to policy
Strategies for analysing and responding to policy and its outcomes
Skills and knowledge for developing policy

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task
Quiz	10 multiple choice and 6 short answer questions 50 words each	15	N	Individual
Critical Review	1,000 words	35	N	Individual
Case Study	2,000 words	50	N	Individual

Teaching Periods

Spring (2024)
Parramatta City - Macquarie St
On-site

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