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Faculty of Arts



Knowledge and Learning at Melbourne

Why study Knowledge and Learning?

EXAMINE HOW WE GAIN KNOWLEDGE IN A RANGE OF CONTEXTS

When you study a Knowledge and Learning minor, you'll be given the opportunity to examine the ways knowledge is constructed and explore learning processes across a range of social, historical and political contexts.

You'll take six subjects which delve into concepts of knowing and learning, reason in relation to science, and the significance of culture and context in the development and transmission of knowledge. You'll also explore philosophical debates surrounding the demarcation between scientific and non-scientific knowledge. You'll gain foundational knowledge in theoretical perspectives on how we learn, and combine these with practical application.

WHERE CAN A MINOR IN KNOWLEDGE AND LEARNING TAKE YOU?

A minor in Knowledge and Learning can equip you with the analytical and communications skills to complement your major studies, and in particular, the insights you gain into professional knowledge, learning and expertise will help enhance your development in whatever profession you choose. You might use your skills to become a teacher, inspiring and educating students, move into the research field, or apply them in other contexts such as government administration or policy development.

▶ Find out more: unimelb.edu.au/study/knowledge-and-learning

Knowledge, Learning and Culture

In this subject, you'll explore the historical, social, cultural and political influences on knowledge and analyse ideas from multiple perspectives. You'll be working with a broad range of cultural collections in the University including rare prints, maps, art works, scientific specimens and archaeological artefacts where you'll focus on engaging with these objects and considering the knowledge they embody in different contexts.