

CULT 7001 ECONOMIES AND ECOLOGIES

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 800174

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Description This unit examines how the economy is being reclaimed as a space of political decision in the Anthropocene, the new geological epoch in which human activity is having global impact on the Earth's ecosystems. It critically explores how different ways of thinking about economy shape the worlds we inhabit. It analyses contemporary examples of economic experimentation and human-non-human assemblages that are making 'other worlds' possible. It explores connections between ecological and economic thinking and asks how our conception of the economy and subjectivity changes when we consider the needs of other species as well as our own.

School Graduate Research School

Discipline Other Society And Culture

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

Level Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

Learning Outcomes

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

1. Demonstrate a range of thinking practices that open up the economy as a site of possibility
2. Review and participate/engage with current debates about economic alternatives
3. Apply methods for social and political theoretical development
4. Apply skills in peer reading, reviewing, editing and re-writing

Subject Content

1. Thinking for the Anthropocene
2. Representations of Economy
3. Thinking from Ecology/Nature/Matter
4. Anti-Essentialism and Class
5. Rethinking Economic Subjectivity
6. Decentering Subjectivity
7. Feminist Economic Thought
8. Neoliberalism Scripts and their Effects
9. Unravelling Community
10. Thinking Strategies for Decolonization
11. More-than-HumanPost-Development

Teaching Periods