

# PHIL 7005 PHILOSOPHICAL AESTHETICS

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**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 102380

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**Description** This subject involves study of aesthetics, which may include philosophical approaches to art and artistic genres such as literature and cinema, and to beauty itself. It will include an historical overview of the field, an analysis of one particular set of problems or debates, and a close examination of a specific school or thinker. It will explore concepts of aesthetic judgement and value, as well as the relationship between aesthetics and other aspects of philosophy.

**School** Humanities & Comm Arts

**Discipline** Philosophy

**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 an understanding of complex philosophical texts
2. Explain changing theories, methods, and concepts in the field of aesthetics.
3. Write at a high level in a range of critical and philosophical idioms.
4. Recognise the significance of philosophical texts in imagining and interpreting the world.

## Subject Content

- history of aesthetics
- Aesthetic concepts
- Aesthetic value
- Aesthetic Judgment

## 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/<br>Group Task |
|-----------|------------------------|---------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Portfolio | 1,600 words<br>(4x400) | 35      | N         | Individual                |
| Essay     | 4,000 words            | 65      | N         | Individual                |