

Faculty of Higher Education

Subject Code	FDS652
Subject Name	Food Movements and Social Change
Credit points	6
Study Level	Year 2
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	Melbourne
Prerequisites	None

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Subject Overview	Food Movements and Social Change examines diverse forms of social and political resistance, mobilisation and advocacy in response to growing concerns about the industrial food system. Exploring local and international organisations (such as La Via Campesina, Slow Food, the Edible Schoolyard Project and others), students will engage with concepts of food sovereignty, citizenship and democracy and consider various forms of civic agriculture and more participatory food systems in challenging the dominance of market forces and re-structuring food systems and cultures. Drawing on the alternative food network literature and social movement theory as an analytical framework, the subject engages critically with food, agriculture and gastronomy as conceptual agents for social change.
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Learning Outcomes	Apply academic literature on alternative food movements and social movement theory to the analysis of organisations and communities engaged in social and political change
	Evaluate concepts of food security, sovereignty, citizenship and democracy as they relate to global and community food systems
	Differentiate between gastronomic, environmental, political and social approaches to change considering points of intersection and divergence
	Analyse the possibilities and limitations of social movements and alternative food networks

Assessments	Details	Weighting
	Critical review	35%
	Presentation	20%
	Essay	45%

Graduate Attributes addressed in this subject	Preparedness
	Ethical and social understanding
	Systematic and coherent body of knowledge
	Cognitive skills to synthesise and consolidate knowledge
	Scholarly skills