ABOUT THIS UNIT OF STUDY
Students individually or in teams of 2-4 members propose a research enquiry (possibly based on their employment). The project is multidisciplinary and should cover at least two sustainability theme areas (such as energy, health, development, environment) and be approved by the Unit Coordinator. The Unit Coordinator will appoint an academic advisor for each project from among the relevant researchers in the University. Students will keep a diary/log of their activities, to be submitted for assessment at the end of semester.

Dr Joy Murray coordinates SUST5007-9 Capstone Research Project. The capstone research project is a mandatory core unit that Master of Sustainability students must complete.

WHY YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS UNIT OF STUDY
This is where all of your hard work over the previous year comes together and where theory meets practice in the workplace. The capstone gives you the best of both worlds; you are supported by an academic advisor here at the University, while a workplace mentor guides you through the complexities of the world of business, government, or non-government organisations. A recent student said, “The capstone [is] the pinnacle of the sustainability Masters. It [is] the opportunity to bring together everything that had been learned and work on a real-world problem.”

Another student added that the capstone required that she had to learn how to adapt to changing situations and to working with people in a workplace.

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