**2022/2023 Summer Research Project Description**

Please use this template to create a description of each research project, eligibility requirements and expected deliverables. Project details can then be uploaded to each faculty, school, institute, and centre webpage prior to the launch of the program.

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| **Project title:** | Examining the Psychological Impacts of Integrated Residential Housing for Young People with High Level Disability |
| **Project duration, hours of engagement & delivery mode** | Duration of the project = 10 weeks during Summer Vacation.  Hours of engagement must be between 20-36hrs per week  The applicant will be required on-site for the project. |
| **Description:** | **Description of the project**  I am currently working with Youngcare, an organisation dedicated to helping young adults with high disability needs transition from inappropriate to appropriate housing.  The aim of this research project will be to conduct a systematic review of literature surrounding housing among young individuals with high levels of disability, with a focus on their mental (greater wellbeing and lower distress) and physical health (the degree of normative functioning facilitated by environmental factors, such as age-appropriate accommodation), as well as their general specific needs.  This review will also capture the effects appropriate housing (e.g., age-appropriate housing that promotes autonomy) and community integration (e.g., ability to access restaurants, cafes, sporting facilities, etc) has on individuals’ mental and physical health.  We also intend to review barriers (e.g., difficulties surrounding the NDIS application process) and facilitators (e.g., social support, trait differences, etc.) that enable this population to access age-appropriate housing. |
| **Expected outcomes and deliverables:** | Scholars will have the opportunity to build skills in systematic reviews, liaising with industry partners (specifically Youngcare), and will have the chance to be involved in publications stemming from the project. |
| **Suitable for:** | This project would be ideal for a 4th year psychology student. |
| **Primary Supervisor:** | Dr James Kirby |
| **Further info:** | If you would like applicants to contact your unit for further information, please provide the relevant contact details here.  Email: [j.kirby@psy.uq.edu.au](mailto:j.kirby@psy.uq.edu.au) |