**UQ 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:** | **Helping people learn to overcome cognitive bias and do good better** |
| **Project duration, hours of engagement & delivery mode** | 6 weeks, 30–35 hours per week, remote or on campus (ideally both)  How many positions would you like to offer?  2 |
| **Description:** | Most of us want to leave the world better than we found it. But, many of the ways people go about trying to improve the world are ineffective, and at worst: harmful. We are running a series of projects that try to help people learn to overcome the biases that lead to these problems. For example, we’re launching an online course that teaches people skills to overcome those cognitive biases. We plan to test how well this program works in a range of populations, and what changes would help it work better. |
| **Expected outcomes and deliverables:** | To test and adapt this program, you will get experience:   1. Conducting assessments (qualitative and quantitative) of learner engagement and fit between the program and different users 2. Designing experimental manipulations that would increase learning and engagement in the project |
| **Suitable for:** | Undergraduate students with strong critical thinking and verbal communication skills looking to learn more effective ways to help others. Projects may be specifically relevant to psychology, marketing or education students with interests in research, but we’ve had successful students from fields as varied as Economics and Biological Sciences. |
| **Primary Supervisor:** | Michael Noetel |
| **Further info:** | There is no need to contact Michael in advance of applying. Most students who do will be encouraged to submit an application via formal channels so all applications can be considered on an even playing field. |