**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:** | **There are two projects:**  **Diversity of Psychology Coursework**  **Everyday Resistance in the Workplace** |
| **Project duration, hours of engagement & delivery mode** | **Diversity of Psychology Coursework**  **1 or 2 positions**  Six weeks (minimum 24 hours per week, up to 36 hours)  **Meetings can occur in person or online (Zoom)**  **Tasks can be carried on-site or remotely**  **Everyday Resistance in the Workplace**  **1 or 2 positions**  Six weeks (minimum 24 hours per week, up to 36 hours)  **Meetings can occur in person or online (Zoom)**  **Tasks can be carried on-site or remotely** |
| **Description:** | **Diversity of Psychology Coursework**  This project aims to examine the perspectives that are included or excluded in the teaching of psychological sciences to postgraduate/graduate students. We examine diversity in several ways, such as the extent to which assigned readings include 1) authors from historically underrepresented backgrounds in terms of gender, race/ethnicity, and country/region, 2) the locations and populations studied, and 3) the range of topics covered. The findings of this research will contribute to our understanding of potential underrepresentation in the teaching of psychology and offer insights on how to diversify our curriculum.  **Everyday Resistance in the Workplace**  This project aims to investigate when, how, and why people resist experiences of injustice and unfairness in the workplace. We examine the possibility that engaging in behaviours deemed as organisational deviance may in fact be a method of resistance. Resistance behaviours can range from creating boundaries around work and engaging in “quiet quitting”, to more collective forms of resistance such as participating in union activities and protests. The findings of this research will contribute to our understanding the psychology of social change, collective action, and resistance to oppression. |
| **Expected outcomes and deliverables:** | **Diversity of Psychology Coursework**  The student will have the opportunity to contribute to our ongoing research existing data of assigned readings in Honours psychology programs in Australia, and graduate programs in the USA. Specific tasks likely include: data coding (e.g., content analysis), data analysis (e.g., using SPSS, R, or other programming languages), data visualisation (e.g., producing figures and graphs), and/or writing up a report and presentation of findings. The student will work as part of a team with other researchers. The student is expected to attend regular (weekly or biweekly) meetings and read relevant literatures on the topic.  **Everyday Resistance in the Workplace**  **The student will have the opportunity to contribute to our ongoing research. The key task includes data analysis which involves coding of open-ended data (e.g., content analysis), conducting statistical analyses (e.g., using SPSS, R, or other programming languages),** data visualisation (e.g., producing figures and graphs), and/or writing up a report and presentation of findings. The student will work as part of a team with other researchers. The student is expected to attend regular (weekly or biweekly) meetings and read relevant literatures on the topic. |
| **Suitable for:** | Both projects are open to students who have a background in psychology and has some prior experience with psychology research methods, statistical analyses, and relevant content knowledge (e.g., through coursework or other experiences). Ideally, the student is looking to gain research skills and is considering a career in research. But most importantly, they are excited about the topics! |
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