**UQ Summer or Winter 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:** | **Exhaustion and burnout in intergroup interactions** |
| **Hours of engagement & delivery mode** | 20 hours per week, face to face  3 x positions available |
| **Description:** | Interracial contact is perhaps the most prominent social psychological approach to reducing racism. This project aims to test the novel proposition that there may be hidden costs to relying on contact, however. Generating new  knowledge in the field of social psychology, this project plans to examine whether minority group members feel pressured to 'perform' during interracial contact, engaging in emotional labour, and experiencing psychological  burnout as a result. Expected outcomes include substantive collaboration, theory development, and scientific progress leading to social change. Ultimately, the project aspires to benefit those who suffer most from discrimination and prejudice by improving techniques for targeting racism. |
| **Expected learning outcomes and deliverables:** | *Scholars may gain skills in data collection, and have an opportunity to work with PhD students and a postdoctoral researcher. Students may also be asked to produce a report or oral presentation at the end of their project.* |
| **Suitable for:** | This project is open to students from second year onwards. A background in psychology is preferred. As the project concerns social psychology, social interactions, race relations, racism, and discrimination, an interest in one or all of these areas would be preferable. An interest in statistics and an openness to on the group data collection is also preferenced. |
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