**UQ 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:** | **Understanding patterns of sexual choking** |
| **Hours of engagement & delivery mode** | For the Winter program, students will be engaged **for 4 weeks only**.  Hours of engagement must be between 20 – 36 hrs per week and must fall within the official program dates (30 June – 25 July 2025).  *This project can be on-site, remote or hybrid depending on the students’ preferences* |
| **Description:** | *Sexual choking is becoming commonplace, particularly among 18-35 year olds. Worryingly, there is also a lack of appreciation or knowledge of the risks involved among this cohort. While educational interventions are being developed, understanding if there are underlying factors that may influence an individual’s perception of and engagement in sexual choking would help to target these interventions.*  *This project will involve an analysis of an existing dataset of 5000 Australian participants to identify different subgroups and their characteristics related to sexual choking.* |
| **Expected learning outcomes and deliverables:** | Please highlight what applicants can expect to gain/learn from participating in the project, and what they will be expected to complete as a part of the project.  *This project will teach you new analytical skills and will involve the analysis and write-up of results. This is likely to lead to an opportunity for publication in a journal.* |
| **Suitable for:** | This project would be suitable to 3rd or 4th year students who are confident in statistics and would like to learn a new analytic method.  *For example, this project is open to applications from students with a background in chemistry or 3rd – 4th year students only.* |
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