## **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.

Project title:	Turning points? Life events and trajectories of later-life loneliness				
Project duration, hours of engagement & delivery mode	Please outline the duration of the project (for the Winter program, duration must be between 8-10 weeks only and hours of engagement must be between 20-36hrs per week). ISSR recommends 10 weeks, 28 hours				
	COVID-19 considerations: Please outline if the project can be completed under a remote working arrangement or if on-site attendance is required.				
	10 weeks and the project can completed offsite if needed due to COVID-19.				
Description:	Please insert a project description to give applicants a comprehensive overview of the project.				
	The research project involves understanding whether and how significant life events generate temporary or sustained changes in loneliness, using rich panel survey data and the collection of in-depth interviews. This project expects to generate new knowledge on dynamics of later-life loneliness using an innovative multi-level, mixed-methods approach examining household and community characteristics that may also shape changes in loneliness.				
Expected 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.				
	Scholars will gain a better understanding of how to carry out academic research. They will have the opportunity to gain skills in preparing a paper for publication in an academic journal. They will also gain skills in literature review, and/or data analysis.				
Suitable for:	Please highlight any particular qualities that individual supervisors are looking for in applicants to assist with the selection process.				
	This project is open to undergraduate and postgraduate applicants with interests in applied social research. Students with interests in the research topics, and/or with data analysis skills including experience with STATA are encouraged to apply.				
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