**UQ Summer or Winter Research Project Description**

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| **Project title:** | **Medicines use and value for money** |
| **Project duration:** | 4-6 weeks |
| **Description:** | In Australia we have a public health insurance system – Medicare. It provides subsidised services and medicines for the population. Health technology assessment (HTA) is the process to make evidence-based decision about how best to spend public monies and it involves three main questions: 1) Does it work? 2) Is it good value for money? and 3) Can we afford it?  This project will explore a topical aspect of medicine use, associated costs, and value for money. The exact project will be defined in conjunction with the scholar. |
| **Expected outcomes and deliverables:** | The scholar will gain skills in data collection and analysis, and preparing a manuscript for publication from their research. 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 applications from UQ BPharm(Hons) students (second and third years) with an interest in medicines use and economic evaluations. |
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