

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit (ATSISU) and Deputy Vice-Chancellor Indigenous Engagement (DVCIE)**  
**UQ Winter Research Project Descriptions 29 June – 24 July 2026**

<b>Project title:</b>	<b>Indigenous people and development in urbanised regions</b>
<b>Project duration:</b>	3-4 weeks 29 June – 24 July 2026 <i>Hours of engagement are 20-36 hours per week.</i>
<b>Description:</b>	Work on a literature review inclusive of scholarly works on and around the theme of Indigenous people and development in urbanised regions. This literature review will support the development of materials to support the Office of Indigenous Engagement’s research and project activities within the University of Queensland and within the community.
<b>Expected outcomes and deliverables:</b>	This project will draw on literature from different disciplines to answer the following questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How is the connection between Indigenous Australians and development in urbanised regions understood in the literature?</li> <li>• Where is Indigenous peoples’ participation in decision-making with respect to development in urbanised regions? (planning, development, tourism, recreation, public access, and cultural access)</li> <li>• What other variables may influence the interrelation between Indigenous Australians and urbanised regions?</li> </ul>
<b>Suitable for:</b>	Indigenous and non-Indigenous students interested in research experience, and with strong analytical and writing skills. Applicants should have an understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, identities and knowledges.  Applicants should have completed at least 2 years of a coursework program and be making satisfactory academic progress in their current program.
<b>Primary Supervisor:</b>	Professor Bronwyn Fredericks, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Engagement)
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<b>Expected outcomes and deliverables:</b>	This project will draw on literature from different disciplines to answer the following questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How is the connection between Indigenous Australians and beaches understood in the literature?</li> <li>• Where is Indigenous peoples' participation in decision-making with respect to beaches? (planning, development, tourism, recreation, public access, and cultural access)</li> <li>• What other variables may influence the interrelation between Indigenous Australians and beaches?</li> </ul>
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