

UQ Summer Research Project Description

Project title:	Health Policy and Systems Research Priorities for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals
Project duration:	<i>10 weeks</i>
Description:	<p><i>In September 2015, the United Nations endorsed the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): 17 goals and 269 targets for global sustainable development. This Summer Research Project will inform a broader research agenda, seeking to identify key health policy and systems research priorities that would enable the achievement of the SDGs. In contrast to the Millennium Development Goals, the SDGs are universal—addressing global change, not simply in developing countries—and interconnected—seeking to achieve sustainable development change across multiple sectors, not only health.</i></p> <p><i>This project builds on research as part of the Go4Health collaboration, which tracked the development of the SDGs. It would examine the health goal SDG3 in the context of the other SDGs, analysing what research would be needed to ensure synergies between these goals to achieve development outcomes in health. The project would involve a documentary and policy analysis of the SDGs, and interviews with Australian researchers across multiple disciplines in those SDG areas that may impact on health outcomes, and the development of research priorities and questions that will inform the broader research.</i></p>
Expected outcomes and deliverables:	<i>Scholars can expect to develop skills in global policy analysis, and exposure to health policy and systems research approaches. They will also gain expertise in interviewing and thematic analysis, with presentation of their findings in the context of a broader research project. The final deliverable of the project will be a paper prepared for peer-reviewed publication in collaboration with the supervisor.</i>
Suitable for:	<i>The project would suit 3-4th year or Masters level students from a health, development or political sciences background, with an interest in global health and development.</i>
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