**Title of Project**
Current topics in the psychology of uncertainty

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**Expressions of Interest due by**
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**Project Background**
This special topics course is part of a research program to establish a novel psychological framework regarding attitudes toward uncertainties arising from ambiguous and/or conflicting information. It involves a combination of rigorous empirical work and quantitative modelling, providing students with opportunities to learn about both the theoretical and methodological aspects of research in this domain.

The course begins with a multidisciplinary overview of ignorance and uncertainty, in the form of the ANUx MOOC on this topic. It then moves on to survey individual-differences measures, cross-cultural research in the judgement and decision literature, and computational cognitive models.

Students are provided with real data from survey projects in this research program and given opportunities for both qualitative and quantitative analyses of these data-sets. For students with methodological interests and background in statistical methods, there also are opportunities to work on new analytical techniques.

**Time and duration of project**
First semester 2019

**Pre-requisites**
PSYC2008 and PSYC2009, and achieved at least a Distinction in each of them.

**Proposed Assessment**
MOOC and readings quizzes (30%)
Discussion and engagement (10%)
Presentation (25%)
Essay (35%)

**Any additional information**

**Places Available**
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