## **HDR** Candidate **Experience survey**





## **SUMMARY**

### **Overall experience**

Including highest and lowest scoring questions for each area

"Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of your higher degree by research experience?"





## Resources, Facilities and Support



I have access to the library resources I need.



I am satisfied with the opportunities provided to me to develop professional connections relevant to my area of study (such as industry, government, or

community organisations).



## Supervision



My supervisor demonstrates respect for me as a person.



My supervisors make an effort to understand the difficulties I might face that impact my progress.



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**Total responses** 

563



I am aware of the skills that I am developing through my research that can be applied outside of academia.



There is enough information available about employment opportunities outside of academia.

## BY GROUP



Overall experience by Group

**78%** 

Arts, Education and Law Group



83%

**Griffith Business** School



**79%** 

Griffith Health



74%

Griffith Sciences



90%

Institute for Glycomics

**Number of** respondents

140

**87** 

156

158

22

#### **Comments**

"The academics and HDR cohort I am surrounded by have made my PhD experience supportive, encouraging, and very positive." - AEL student

"I certainly feel that I am part of the best research team. Everyday, I am learning something new, I must say that

I have made the best decision of choosing Griffith University and I am really proud of it."

- GBS student

"I have enjoyed every moment and I have learned much about research and

myself.' - HTH student

"The research environment at Griffith is fantastic ..... Griffith is a breath of fresh air to me with openminded, friendly and diverse academic and general staff that are all here to help me achieve my goals."

- SCG student

"Overall, I feel so blessed to be pursuing my PhD at Griffith University...It is a huge dream come true..." - Institute for

**Glycomics** student

#### BY CITIZENSHIP

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Overall experience by citizenship







Number of respondents

342

221

#### **Comments**

"I have ease of access to any facilities or equipment that I have needed throughout my candidature. Whenever I require assistance or access to something, there is always someone willing to help me." - Domestic student "My supervisory team has been excellent and very supportive. Some have gone out of their way to make sure that I am integrating well as an international student." - International student

#### BY ATTENDANCE

Overall experience by attendance



Full-time **81%** 



Part-time



Number of respondents

456

107

#### **Comments**

"I guess the excellent supervision has really given me confidence and the guidance that I needed in a complex project such as a PhD. The scholarship from Griffith was also amazing to give me the option to do fulltime PhD which was a dream come true!" - Full-time student "My 2 supervisors have been incredible - never ending support and guidance across a period of 8 years (part time HDR) - I am so grateful."

- Part-time student

#### BY PROGRAM TYPE

Overall experience by Program type



Doctorate **78%** 



Research Masters

82%



Number of respondents

527

36

#### Comments

"I have had nothing but a great experience doing my PhD at Griffith University (Gold Coast) with access to a quiet PhD room, supervisors and all that I need. It has been excellent and I haven't lacked for anything at all."

- Doctrate student

"I have been lucky to have wonderful supervisors with diverse experience and insight, and understanding when I have faced some challenges around my Masters."

- Research Masters student



Resources, Facilities and Support



**Supervision** 



Skills development

"I am extremely happy with all resources and facilities Griffith has provided me." "My supervisors are so supportive that it ignites a great passion within me to continue with my research."

"Skills attained and lessons learnt have prepared me well, not only for an academic career, but also for events beyond the academic environment."