## **Edith Cowan University**

Graduate Research



## **PROJECT DETAILS**

Project Title:

Love is more than a four-letter word: Integrating love of self into young people's knowledge of sexual consent

Project Summary: aims, significance, expected outcomes and potential research impact:

This project aims to investigate if and how young people's notions of love inform their knowledge about sexual consent. Using interdisciplinary approaches from psychology, social science, and screen studies, the project expects to generate new knowledge about young people's desire and their ability to engage mutually and genuinely in a sexual act. The project's expected outcomes include the development of a model that provides ways to talk about self-love as a starting point for sexual wellness. This model should generate benefits such as understanding the continuum between love of self and healthy sexual practices and providing resources to reduce mental health issues by maximising wellbeing.

Preferred applicant skill set, describe the capabilities of the HDR applicant:

We are looking for self-motivated PhD candidates with excellent organisational and research skills in the field of creative humanities as well as in social science and psychology – or an interdisciplinary interest across these fields. Consideration will be given to applicants who have an interest in research focused on young people's mental health and a desire to investigate ways/models that contribute to early intervention plans. We are also interested in those with creative design skills. Candidates might be creative practitioners in visual art, such as web design, graphic design, and/or screen production.

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