

Collaboration with UQ PhD students and industry placements



PhD focus

Introduction

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Aim:

- To explore process characteristics (enablers and barriers) which influence the implementation and sustainability of the Pick of the Crop program.

Deliverables:

Data gathering from multiple sources.

Development of six case studies of six schools across three Pick of the Crop regions - Logan, Bowen and Bundaberg (2 per region).

Pick of the Crop research:

- Implement a focus group with Pick of the Crop Regional Coordinators – includes questions about the sustainability of the program.
- Conduct semi-structured interviews with 8 - 10 school staff who have engaged in the program since 2021 (e.g. Principals, teachers, School Champions) from the 3 regions.
- Conduct semi-structured policy interviews with Regional Directors from the Queensland Department of Education.
 - These will explore how food and nutrition policy is implemented in Queensland and help inform the broader policy context for Pick of the Crop.
- Conduct an international study with stakeholders involved with the implementation of school-based nutrition programs to learn about their successes and challenges.

Timelines

Data collection for Pick of the Crop:

- The Pick of the Crop evaluation study will be completed by the end of November 2022.
- School interviews are planned to take place in Term 4, 2022.
- Interviews with Regional Directors are planned to take place from September 2022.

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