# 2019 UQ "Pitching Research" Competition – NOW OPEN!

#### **General Information & Timelines**

calling all pre-confirmation RHD students at UQ (as at 1 July, 2019)! YOU are invited to participate in a university-wide pitching research competition in 2019. This event builds on the great success of its <u>inaugural edition in 2015</u>, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition in 2016, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition in 2017 and <u>latest edition in 2018</u>. This year's event is sponsored by UQ's BEL, EAIT, HABS, Medicine faculties (others yet to be confirmed).



**CORE TASK**: requires the completion of a prescribed 2-page template – a template that provides a simple, methodical tool to confidently/succinctly "pitch" essential elements of a new research proposal to an academic expert i.e. to your PhD supervisor. For an explanation of the pitching template and its use, see the SSRN paper "Pitching Research" [Faff (2019)]: http://ssrn.com/abstract=2462059

## **Important Dates**

• Information Session:

Date/time: 2pm Monday 1 July, 2019Venue: Steele Bldg. (#03), Room 309

• Opening of Pitch Submissions: Monday 1 July, 2019

• Pitch Submission Deadline: Monday 2 September, 2019 12 noon

• Finalist Decision Notification: Monday 28 October, 2019

• FINAL: November, 2019 (details to be confirmed in due course)

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A total prize pool of \$4,000 (minimum), with FIRST prize of \$1,000 (minimum).

## **Submission Process**

All entries into the competition must be made via the web portal: PitchMyResearch.com

The first step is to register as a user, then click on the button "pitching competitions" and follow the instructions.

## **Information Session Registration – 1 July 2019**

Please register your intention to attend the information session by visiting the webpage link below: <a href="https://bit.lv/2WZIeCo">https://bit.lv/2WZIeCo</a>

Your assistance executing this registration is greatly appreciated in terms of our planning for the event.

## **Further Enquiries**

For any clarifications or queries regarding the pitch competition requirements, please email **Professor Faff** directly: <u>r.faff@business.uq.edu.au</u>

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