**Early stage planning for the Independent Studies Elective**

After you have read the information about the Independent Studies elective on the School website, it is useful to draft 1-2 pages to start the conversation about your interests with potential supervisors. This document will help you identify academics that may be suitable supervisors for you to approach. It will also assist potential supervisors understand your interests and prior knowledge/skills/experience so they can assess whether: your interests align with theirs; they have the time, knowledge and skills to support your unit of study; and to consider what scope of work might be feasible for the elective.

**What is the topic/area of public health that you are broadly interested in?**

**Why are you considering taking the Independent studies elective?**

**What are your prior experience and skills that are relevant to this unit of study?**

**What knowledge and skills are you hoping to gain or develop during the unit of study?**

**Any other relevant information?**

**Do you already have options available to you for this unit of study?**