

Title: Relationships and Attraction Among Individuals with an Autism Spectrum Disorder	
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Outline of Research	To date, there is no research on attraction for relationships involving ASD individuals. Yet it is known that these individuals desire and attempt to form social contact. Furthermore, many have been found to develop relationships and marry. Therefore, this research will provide an important contribution to the current literature. Furthermore, an understanding of the problems and needs of individuals with an ASD could guide interventions and improve their well-being, sexual health, and sexual education. I am hoping to obtain participants over the age of 18 years old who are in relationships with individuals with an ASD or who have an ASD. These individuals would be required to complete a questionnaire and return it to Deakin University with a reply paid envelope provided. The questionnaire is also available online at: <a href="http://www.deakin.edu.au/psychology/research/relationshipsautism/">http://www.deakin.edu.au/psychology/research/relationshipsautism/</a>
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