COURSE DETAIL

QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Utrecht University

Program(s)

Utrecht University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

UCEAP Course Number

133

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS

UCEAP Transcript Title

QUAL RESRCH METHODS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course covers fundamental concepts in qualitative research design, sampling strategies, data generation, data analysis, and evaluation. Course content includes qualitative research methods used in social science research. Topics include (1) research objectives and contexts appropriate to the use of qualitative methods; (2) theoretical traditions in qualitative research; (3) sampling strategies; (4) intent and techniques for qualitative research methods; and (5) preliminary analysis of qualitative data, selection and use of supporting qualitative and/or quantitative methods, analysis of data and presentation of research results. A set of field-based experiences are designed to give students opportunities to become familiar with specific forms of qualitative data gathering such as in-depth interviews, focus groups, and ethnography. This course combines hands-on work on qualitative research projects that are performed in small groups with background classes on the merits and limitations of qualitative, case based research vis-a-vis other research methods. The aim of the qualitative research project is to design a case study. The problem definition and design of the case study is made in consultation with the organization at which you pilot interviews are performed. These interviews are analyzed to give students experience with qualitative methods of data-analysis. The end purpose is to not only show the merits of qualitative data analysis, but also to teach students to think about what method of analysis is fit for what kind of question.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ECB2QRM

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus

Law, Economics and Governance

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Economics

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