

# 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

## **Host Institution Course Title**

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## **Host Institution Campus**

Law, Economics and Governance

## **Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

Economics

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