COURSE DETAIL

RESEARCH METHODS 1

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Maastricht University - University College Maastricht

Program(s)

University College Maastricht

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

UCEAP Course Number

20

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

RESEARCH METHODS 1

UCEAP Transcript Title

RESEARCH METHODS 1

UCEAP Quarter Units

2.00

UCEAP Semester Units

1.30

Course Description

Research Methods I, Research Methods II, and the Research Project form one coherent semester-long block of courses in which students start from scratch and end with a finished research project. Along the way, students discuss a wide variety of research approaches frequently used in the humanities, social sciences, and the sciences. Another goal of this sequence of courses is for UCM as an academic community to further develop its multi/interdisciplinary character, and for students to be able to reflect and comment on each other's work, no matter how diverse that may become in the course of the next three years. The first component of this three-course block is Research Methods I. Within this block, students learn the basics of research: about the systematic and logical aspects that are (virtually) universal across research styles, and about the differences that define them. Students develop a common vocabulary to evaluate and talk about research, and work on where it all begins: asking the right questions. From there, students consider the sub-questions and hypotheses that flow from the central research questions, the data (broadly defined) that are needed to find answers, and how that data can be analyzed.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SKI1004

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