

Doctoral course in qualitative methodology (1-4 ECTS)

Time:	20.10.-24.11.2015 on Tuesdays at 12-16
Place:	Seminar room 150 (Publicum building, Assistentinkatu 7, 1 st floor)
Responsible teacher:	University lecturer Rauno Huttunen, Faculty of Education
Registration:	By October 18 via eRegistration (available at https://www.webropol-surveys.com/S/02D7B2E446235ED8.par NB! max. 30 course participants.
Organisers:	Doctoral Programmes Juno & Utuling (humanities), Doctoral Programmes KEVEKO and OPPI (education), Doctoral Programme in Law, Doctoral Programme of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Doctoral programme of Turku School of Economics and Doctoral Programme in Nursing Science, UTUGS

Target group

The doctoral course is targeted at doctoral candidates in the fields of humanities and social sciences at large, including legal studies, business studies and nursing studies. The course is designed for doctoral candidates who will use qualitative approaches in their own doctoral dissertation. It is particularly suitable for doctoral candidates at the early stages of their doctoral training.

Objectives

The doctoral course in qualitative methodology has two objectives. The first objective is to broaden the participants' knowledge base concerning various qualitative research approaches (e.g. ethnographic research, narrative inquiry, discursive research, mixed methods) and the relationships between different qualitative methodologies, epistemologies and knowledge formations. The second objective is to help doctoral candidates to identify the appropriate qualitative methodologies and methods for their own doctoral research projects.

Content

Through theoretical readings and lectures the course will inform participants on philosophical underpinnings of qualitative methodologies as well as shed light on practical questions such as what types of research questions are suitable for various qualitative research approaches, and how to design, implement and report qualitative research processes?

Structure of the course

The course consists of lectures and a summary discussion. The lecturers of the course represent different fields of science and thus provide different perspectives to the themes covered by the lectures. The first and last session of the course are held by two coteachers who are both present during the whole session. The four sessions presenting qualitative methods contain each two 2-hour lectures held by one teacher.

Programme:

1. Tuesday 20.10. at 12-16
Epistemological premises of qualitative research
Senior Lecturer Rauno Huttunen (Department of Education): *Epistemological premises of qualitative research*
Postdoctoral Research Fellow Hanna Meretoja (Department of Comparative Literature): *Understanding and Interpretation in the Human Sciences*
2. Tuesday 27.10. at 12-16
Discourse analysis
Senior lecturer Marjo Nieminen (Department of Education): *Discourse analysis: the collection of approaches*
Academy Research Fellow Valtteri Viljanen (Department of Cultural History): *Foucault on discourse*
3. Tuesday 3.11. at 12-16
Narrative analysis and Ethnography
Senior Lecturer Rauno Huttunen: *Hermeneutical foundation of Narrative Research*
Professor Marja-Liisa Honkasalo (Department of Cultural Health and Well-being): *Ethnography as a method and a methodology in social sciences*

4. Tuesday 10.11. at 12-14 (N.B.time!)

Mixed methods

Professor Niina Nummela (Department of Marketing and International Business): *Mixed methods in business studies*

5. Tuesday 17.11. at 12-16

Narrative analyses and Ethnography

Professor Kevät Nousiainen (Faculty of Law): *Narrative approaches to law*

Professor Tuomo Peltonen (Department of Management and Organisation): *Ethnography of/in organizations*

6. Tuesday 24.11. at **14-16** (N.B. time!)

Summary discussion

Senior Lecturer Rauno Huttunen

Modes of study

Participation to lectures and summary discussion (1 credit) **or** participation to lectures, independent study of theoretical readings provided by the teacher, short essay on two articles and learning diary or home exam on the lectures (4 credits).

Additional readings will be specified later.

Registration

Registration for the course by October 18 via eRegistration is required (eRegistration form available at <https://www.webropolsurveys.com/S/02D7B2E446235ED8.par>). A maximum of 30 course participants will be admitted to the course.

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