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**George Mason University**  
**College of Education and Human Development**

**EDRS 812**  
**QUALITATIVE METHODS IN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH**  
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**Meeting Day/time:** Tuesdays 4:30 pm-7:10 pm

**Location:** Innovation 207

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**Course Description**

Teaches how to apply qualitative data collection and analysis procedures in educational research, including ethnographic and other field-based methods, and unobtrusive measures. *Prerequisites.* Satisfactory completion of EDUC 810 or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**CEHD Core Values**

In 2006, the College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) adopted five core values on which to focus: collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. This course supports each of these values by providing multiple learning experiences that necessitate collaboration. Students are afforded opportunities to reflect on their leadership roles in their work and learning contexts; to

design and engage in innovative research-based practice, and to analyze proceedings under the umbrella of a social justice conference theme. These Core Values are aligned with course goals:

### **Course Goals and Objectives**

This course is designed to enable students to:

- Understand the essential characteristics and purposes of qualitative research and the key ways in which this approach differs from other research strategies.
- Explore one researcher's identity in relation to the topic selected for research.
- Situate a study in an appropriate beginning literature base and field of study.
- Develop and enact a small-scale study to practice data collection and analysis techniques, and validation measures.
- Communicate publically and in writing and with peer review on the design, process, and results of such a study.
- Critique one's research project and suggest areas for improvement.
- Be able to use these understandings to evaluate published qualitative research.

### **Student Expectations**

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the George Mason University Honor Code [See <http://academicintegrity.gmu.edu/honorcode>]
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with the George Mason University Office of Disability Services (ODS) and inform their instructor, in writing, at the beginning of the semester [See <http://academicintegrity.gmu.edu/honorcode>.]
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing [See <http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/1301gen.html>.] Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their George Mason University email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students solely through their Mason email account.
- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be turned off during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor. Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times.

### **Campus Resources**

- The George Mason University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) staff consists of professional counseling and clinical psychologists, social workers, and counselors who offer a wide range of services (e.g., individual and group counseling, workshops and outreach programs) to enhance students' personal experience and academic performance <http://caps.gmu.edu/>
- The George Mason University Writing Center staff provides a variety of resources and services (e.g., tutoring, workshops, writing guides, handbooks) intended to support students as they work to construct and share knowledge through writing [See <http://writingcenter.gmu.edu/>]
- *The College of Education & Human Development is committed to the following five values: collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based*

practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles. <http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/> For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, Graduate School of Education, please visit our website [See <http://gse.gmu.edu/>]

### **Emergency Procedures**

You are encouraged to sign up for emergency alerts by visiting the website <https://alert.gmu.edu>. There are emergency posters in each classroom explaining what to do in the event of crises. Further information about emergency procedures exists on <http://www.gmu.edu/service/cert>.

### **Required Course Texts**

- Glesne, C. (2011). *Becoming qualitative researchers: An introduction* (4th ed.). Boston: Pearson Education.
- Kvale, S. (2009). *InterViews: Learning the craft of qualitative research interviewing*. (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Maxwell, J. (2005). *Qualitative research design: An interactive approach* (2nd ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

**Other Required Readings** \*Available through [My Mason](#) Blackboard (Bb) or [E-reserves](#) (ER) password =“methods” EJ = [e-journals](#) available on Mason Library

- Amundsen, C., & Wilson, M. (2012). Are we asking the right questions? A conceptual review of the educational development literature in higher education. *Review of Educational Research*, 82, (1), 90-126. **Overview only and read pp. 96-97.**
- Becker, H. S. (2007). *Writing for social scientists: How to start and finish your thesis, book, or article*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. **Chapter 6: Risk by Pamela Richards. (ER).**
- Butler-Kisber, L. (2010). *Qualitative inquiry: Thematic, narrative and arts-informed perspectives*. Los Angeles: Sage. **Chapter 3: Constant comparative inquiry (pp. 24-33) (ER)**
- Corbin, J., & Strauss, A. (2008). *Basics of qualitative research: Techniques and procedures for developing grounded theory* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. **Chapter 2 (ER).**
- Kennedy, M. M. (2007). Defining a literature. *Educational Researcher*, 36, (3), 139-147. **(EJ)**
- Koro-Ljungberg, M., Yendol-Hoppey, D., Jude Smith, J., & Hayes, S. B. (2009). (E)pistemological awareness, instantiation of methods, and uninformed methodological ambiguity in qualitative research reports. *Educational Researcher*, 38 (9), 687-699. **(EJ)**
- Patton, M. Q. (2002). *Qualitative research & evaluation methods*. Thousand Oaks: Sage. **Chapter 6: Fieldwork strategies and observation methods (pp. 259-322). (ER)**
- Samaras, A. P. (2011). *Self-study teacher research: Improving your practice through collaborative inquiry*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. **Chapters 7, 10, 11, 12 (Bb)**

### **Recommended Books**

- Fink, A. (2010). *Conducting research literature reviews*. Los Angeles: Sage.
- Wolcott, H. F. (2009). *Writing up qualitative research*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Yin, R. K. (2011). *Qualitative research from start to finish*. NY: The Guilford Press.

### **Recommended Readings**

Freedman, M. et al. (2007). Standards of evidence in qualitative research: An incitement to discourse. *Educational Researcher*, 36, (1), 25-32.

Kirk, J. (2009). Starting with self: Reflexivity in studying women teachers' lives in development. In K. Pithouse, C. Mitchell, & R. Molestane (Eds.). *Making connections: Self-study & social action* (pp. 115-126). NY: Peter Lang. (ER)

Klein, E., Riordan, M., Schwartz, A., & Sotirhos, S. Dissertation support groups: Building a community of practice using Noddings' ethic of care. In A. P. Samaras, A. R. Freese, C. Kosnik, & C. Beck (Eds.). (2008). *Learning communities in practice*. The Netherlands: Springer. (Bb)

Mears, C. L. (2009). *Interviewing for education and social science research*. NY: Palgrave/Macmillan. Chapter 7: Learning from data (pp. 121-143). (ER)

Peshkin, A. (1988). In search of subjectivity—One's own. *Educational Researcher*, 17(7), 17-22. (EJ)

Saldaña, J. (2009). *The coding manual for qualitative researchers*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Standards for reporting on empirical social science research in AERA publications, AERA. *Educational Researcher* (2006), 35, (6), 33-40.

### **Course Structure**

The major purpose of this course is for you to learn and apply qualitative data collection and analysis procedures in educational research. Throughout the course, you are completing a step informally that you later insert into your final formal paper. If you are an active member of our learning community and build your project with commitment all along, and it comes together. Our work together involves:

#### ***1. Weekly Class Dialogue ~ Being a good listener and open learner***

This course utilizes a weekly seminar format that is collaborative, interactive, and dialogic, i.e., sociocultural and designed within Vygotskian tenets of pedagogy and learning. Seminars will include professor and student-led discussions, and student presentations that will take place during class meetings. Each class will encourage discussing your developing understanding of qualitative theory and practice; less about the quantity of your talk, and more about your sharing of your ongoing, honest, deep and critical analysis of your meaning making and your ability to listen to other's thinking in a respectful and non-judgmental manner, and with an appreciation of the opportunity to learn about your research by participating in your peer's struggles with making sense of qualitative research as well. You are expected to participate in class discussions with openness, consideration, and effort to "hear for" and "listen to" others as you also seek to be understood. Your active participation is a major requirement of this course. Please notify professor if you must miss a class. There is no way to "make up" for class time that is missed.

#### ***2. Assignments and Readings ~ Commitment and Support***

Since the research project is a large-scale endeavor, I have designed a series of professor and peer supported assignments towards your successful project completion. You are required to complete the assignments, POST them on the respective Discussion Thread

on MyMason. In essence these mini assignments allow you to build a stronger and higher quality report. If you do not complete the assignments on time, you will not be able to participate adequately in class discussions, and I will not be able to give you timely feedback.

You are expected to complete all class readings prior to each session so as to engage in active dialogue and sharing of ideas. To be successful in the course, you will need to read to become familiar with qualitative research to conduct your research and participate in our class discussions in an informed manner. Reading assignments are listed for the day on which they will be discussed. My expectation is for you to read and apply the readings to your research project. Come to class prepared to share important concepts in the readings and the connections you are able to make from the readings to your learning and research experiences. Go beyond "what the author said." Share the questions you have about the reading in class.

High quality work (i.e., "A" work) is expected on all assignments and in class participation. All assignments must be completed. For full consideration, all assignments are due posted *electronically* on the [My Mason Bb](#) discussion thread prior to the beginning of class on the day they are due, unless otherwise announced. Late assignments will not be accepted without making prior arrangements with the professor.

All written assignments are to be word-processed using Times Roman 12 pt font, double-spaced, and submitted electronically. Title each assignment with your last name and the name of the project/assignment, e.g., Smith.ResProp.06.14.12. It is required that you save your work in multiple places for safe keeping. Use APA style.

### ***3. Peer Review ~ Embracing Critique***

Virtually all research designs go through some type of peer review process in academia, including the dissertation proposal stage, requests for funding, or when a study is reviewed for publication. For this reason, I am having you involved in an ongoing collaborative peer review process, designed to be supportive as well as constructive and to give you the opportunity to embrace the value of peer critique for improving the quality of your research. You will provide, and receive, constructive suggestions to assist you in improving your thinking and in looking at something familiar in a new way. Our work will involve mutual support, collaboration, and continuous peer review in a "critical friend team" which will be explained in class. In a collaborative relationship, you are expected to practice your best professional relationship skills in your discussions. This collaboration/peer review will provide us with opportunities to see the value of collaborating as well as the challenges. It gives us practice.

### ***4. Exit Folders***

You will be given an Exit Folder. At the end of each class, please take a minute and *write the BIG ideas you learned from that class and BURNING questions you have* on your folder. Date each entry. Your comments will provide feedback to help me be responsive to your learning needs. Turn your folder in at the end of each class.

### ***5. Research Project***

Specific guidelines for this project are provided on Bb on [MyMason](#) site. It is

recommended that you *get into the habit of writing analytical memos* to yourself throughout the research process. You will find it useful in writing your discussion section.

The research project is an opportunity for you to demonstrate your understanding and application of qualitative research. Seize that opportunity to delve and dabble into your possible dissertation topic. Use this assignment to move you toward and forward in your Ph.D. journey. You will develop and conduct a small-scale study of your methods based on your research interests and program of study. This project results in a comprehensive paper of roughly 6,000 words or 25 pages, not including references and appendix. The range of possible projects that you can conduct is extremely broad. The main requirement is that the project has to be genuinely qualitative in nature. Almost any setting, or set of participants, is a potential source of data for your research. There are formative assignments (with less weight) designed to scaffold and build your final research project.

**1. No covert research.** This is 1) ethically problematic, 2) too difficult to manage for someone just beginning to learn qualitative research, 3) restricts your research options, and 4) doesn't allow you to learn the key skill of negotiation with those you study. You must have the informed consent of the participants in your research. We will discuss this in more detail gaining Human Subjects approval for your study (in most cases you will not need actual HSRB approval for your course project, unless you are collecting person-identifiable data from minors or plan to publish the results). Nonetheless, ethical considerations are paramount in any research you conduct.

**2. No primarily comparative studies.** Your main research question cannot focus on a difference between two groups or settings or between two categories of people. While explicitly comparative studies are a valid and important form of qualitative research, they are not a useful way to learn how to do qualitative research. Comparison is likely to 1) push you toward more quantitative questions and modes of thinking, 2) reduce the depth of understanding you can gain of one group, setting, or category, and 3) make it more difficult for you to learn what is essential in qualitative research.

**3. A minimum** of 1) 3 hours of interviews, or 2) 3 hours of observations of a single setting, plus at least one hour of interview data with one or more participants in that setting. For an interview study, you will need to record your interviews and transcribe at least 3 hours of interview material. Normally, this will involve interviewing at least 3 different participants.

For an observational study, you will need to do at least 3 hours of observations of your setting, taking written notes, and to reorganize, rewrite, and expand your rough notes to make them usable for analysis. Normally, this will involve at least 3 separate observations. In most cases, a course project based primarily on observation should be limited to a single setting. The difference in the amount of material required for interview and observational studies is because interviews require more time to transcribe, and because they usually provide more material to work with for analysis. (Videotaped observations are a special case; if you plan to videotape some activity, talk to me about the amount of material required, which depends on the kind of analysis you'll be doing.)

Copies of your interview transcripts and/or rewritten observational notes must be included in the appendix of report, along with a transparency of your data analysis.

4. **Data collection must take place across the semester.** You cannot rely mainly on previously collected data, or conduct all of your observations or interviews in a brief period (one week or less). You need to be able to learn from your experiences, and to take time to contemplate and make corrections to your study design and techniques.

5. **You will need to share your work for peer review.** Any arrangements that you make with participants in your study must not prevent you from discussing your fieldnotes and interview transcripts (with pseudonyms used) with peers. \*Class members will be required to respect the confidentiality of this information. Sharing your work in class is the only way that I can really assess the actual process of your research, and is also an important part of that process. You cannot do the work of this class in isolation.

If you are studying a setting where you have a prior role, or are interviewing people with whom you have a prior relationship, you need to **discuss with me the special issues that this raises**, and will need to address these issues in your final report. You are free to use as a setting for your research project the same site that you are using in work for another course or for an internship. However, if you do this, the amount of work involved must be appropriate for the total amount of credit--normally, you can't use the same work (e.g., turning in the same report) to get credit for two courses. In any case, if you are using the work to satisfy two different courses or requirements, you **must submit, both to me and to the other instructor or supervisor, a written description of how you will use your work in this setting to satisfy the requirements of both courses**, and get our signatures indicating our approval of your plans.

### Evaluation

1. Assignments and Participation (Readings and participation are integrated into assignments)  
Descriptions of projects are posted on Bb. 40%
  - a) Curiosity Memo (5%)
  - b) Researcher Identity Memo (5%)
  - c) Research Proposal (5%)
  - d) Beginning Lit Review and Conceptual Mapping (5%)
  - e) Pilot Interview Memo and CF Group Wiki Chat (5%)
  - f) Interview or Observation Memo (5%)
2. Research Project Draft (5%)
3. Peer Review of Research Project Draft (5%)
4. Research Project (Headings and Rubric posted on Bb) 60%

### Grading Scale

Grade	Standards	Grading	Grade Points	Graduate Courses
A	Meets Standard	93 – 100	4.00	Satisfactory / Passing
A-	Meets Standard	90 – 92.9	3.67	Satisfactory / Passing
B+	Approaches Standard	88 – 89.9	3.33	Satisfactory/Passing

## Assignment and Participation Rubric

Category	Exemplary 40 pts.	Accomplished 37-39pts	Developing 34-36pts	Undeveloped Below 34 pts
Assignments are central to the development of your project. Attendance and participation are critical components of this course. It gives you the opportunity to learn from and contribute to building a positive classroom experience and learning community. Participants contribute to each others' learning by actively listening, exchanging ideas, sharing learning from reading and websites, peer view, and supporting each other's efforts.	Successfully completes all assignments. Outstanding and consistent participation in discussions and class activities. Promotes conversation focused on the topic. Comments demonstrate a high level of understanding from assigned readings. Listens actively to peers. Embraces peer review; Prompts peer feedback and input. Purposely shares leadership roles in group work.	Completes all assignments. Participates in discussions and activities on a regular basis; questions and comments reveal thought and reflection and contribution from assigned readings. Frequently involves peers in discussion. Conducts peer review; Shares leadership roles in group work.	Does not complete some assignments. Does not contribute to discussions or activities very often, but generally reveals some thought and reflection and some contribution from assigned readings. Follows rather than leads group activities. Solicits some peer discussion and peer review. Misses classes. Is late for class. Somewhat shares leadership roles in group work.	Few assignments completed. Few contributions to class discussions. Little evidence of participation and contribution. Shows little concern for peers' learning or input or peer review. Misses many classes and is late often. Does not share leadership roles in group work.

### Qualitative Research Resources

#### **Websites**

##### *Association for Qualitative Research (AQR)*

According to this web site, "AQR is an international organisation which aims to further the practice and study of qualitative research."

Web site: <http://www.aqr.org.au/>

##### *International Center for Qualitative Inquiry*

According to this web site, "The International Center for Qualitative Inquiry is a multidisciplinary institute at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign."

Web site: <http://www.c4qi.org/iaqi/home.html>

##### *Qualpage*

According to this web site, "QualPage was originally designed as a private repository of information for graduate students learning about qualitative data analysis software (QDAS). Originally a Gopher site, it evolved into a Web page around 1994."

Web site: [http://www.qualitativeresearch.uga.edu/QualPage/e\\_journals.htm](http://www.qualitativeresearch.uga.edu/QualPage/e_journals.htm)

##### [Qualitative Research Special Interest Group of the American Educational Research](#)

Association. \*The SIG offers and Outstanding Qualitative Research Dissertation Award.

University of Georgia, College of Education, Lifelong Education, Administration, and Policy This website lists journals focusing on qualitative research.

Web site: <http://www.coe.uga.edu/leap/qual/research/journals.html>

***Qualitative Research and Analysis*** (in addition to required and recommended books)

- Bogdan, R. C., & Biklen, S. K. (2007). *Qualitative research for education: An introduction to theory and methods* (5<sup>th</sup> ed). Boston: Pearson.
- Charmaz, K. (2006). *Constructing grounded theory: A practical guide through qualitative analysis*. Los Angeles: Sage.
- Coffey, A., & Atkinson, P. (1996) *Making sense of qualitative data: Complementary research strategies*. London: Sage.
- Creswell, J.W. (2007). *Qualitative inquiry & research design: Choosing among the five approaches* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Czaja, R., & Blair, J. (1996). *Designing surveys: A guide to decisions and procedures*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Pine Forge Press.
- Denzin, N. K. (1978). *The research act: A theoretical introduction to sociological methods* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). New York: McGraw-Hill.
- Denzin, N. K., & Lincoln, Y. S. (2005). *Handbook of qualitative research*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Emerson, R., R. Fretz, & L. Shaw (1995). *Writing ethnographic fieldnotes*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Flick, U. (2009). *An introduction to qualitative research*. Los Angeles: Sage.
- Glaser, B. G. & Strauss, A. L. (1967). *The discovery of grounded theory*. Dallas: Houghton Mifflin.
- Hammersley, M. (2007). The issue of quality in qualitative research. *International Journal of Research & Method in Education*, 3, (3), 287-305.
- Hart, C. (2001). *Doing a literature search*. Los Angeles: Sage.
- Holley, K. A., & Colyar, J. (2009). Rethinking texts: Narrative and the construction of qualitative research. *Educational Researcher*, 38 (9), 680-686.
- Janesick, V. J. (2004). *Stretching exercise for qualitative researchers*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Knowles, J. G., & Cole, A. L. (2008) *Handbook of the arts in qualitative research*. Los Angeles: Sage.
- Lassonde, C. A., Galman, S., & Kosnik, C. (Eds.), (2009). *Self-study research methodologies for teacher educators*. Rotterdam, The Netherlands: Sense.
- Lincoln, Y. S., & Guba, E. G. (1985). *Naturalistic inquiry*. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage.
- Marinósson, G. L. (2007). The ocean merges into the drop: Unearthing the ground rules for the social construction of pupil diversity. *Methodological Developments in Ethnography*, 12, 185- 206. Available on ER.
- Maxwell, J. A. (2006). Literature reviews of, and for, Educational Research. *Educational Researcher*, 35 (9), 28-31).
- Merriam, S. B. (2009). *Qualitative research: A guide to design and implementation* San Francisco: Jossey-Bass.
- Miles, M. B., & Huberman, A. M. (1994). *Qualitative data analysis*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Mills, C. W. (1959). On intellectual craftsmanship. In C. W. Mills (Ed.), *The sociological imagination* (pp. 195–226). New York: Oxford University Press.
- Patton, M. Q. (1990). *Qualitative evaluation and research methods (Second Edition)*.

- Newbury Park, CA: Sage.
- Pinnegar, S., & Hamilton, M. L. (2009). *Self-study of practice as a genre of qualitative research: Theory, methodology, and practice*. The Netherlands: Springer.
- Punch, K. (2005). *Introduction to social research: quantitative and qualitative approaches* (2nd ed.). London: Sage.
- Reason, P. Three approaches to participative inquiry (1994). In N. Denzin & Y. Lincoln, (Eds.). *Handbook of qualitative research*. Sage.
- Reybold, L. E., & Alamia, J. J. (2008). Academic transitions in education: A developmental perspective of women faculty experiences. *Journal of Career Development, 35*(2), 107-128.
- Saldaña, J. (2009). *The coding manual for qualitative researchers*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Schram, T. H. (2006). *Conceptualizing and proposing qualitative research* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson.
- Stake, R. E. (1995). *The art of case study research*: Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Strauss, A., & Corbin, J. (1990). *Basics of qualitative research: Grounded theory procedures and techniques*. Newbury Park, CA: Sage.
- Yin, R. K. (2009). *Case study research: Design and methods*. Los Angeles: Sage.

### **Interviewing**

- Kosnik, C., Cleovoulou, Y., & Fletcher, R. (2009). The use of interviews in self-study research (pp. 53-69). In C. A. Lassonde, S. Galman, & Kosnik, C. (Eds.). *Self-study research methodologies for teacher educators*. Rotterdam: Sense.
- Fontana, A., & Frey, J. (2000). The interview: From structured questions to negotiated text. In N. K. Denzin & Y. S. Lincoln (Eds.), *Handbook of qualitative research* (2nd ed., pp. 645-672). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Hycner, R. H. (1985). Some guidelines for the phenomenological analysis of interview data. *Human Studies, 8*, 279-303.
- Jones, S. (1985). Depth interviewing. In R. Walker (Ed.), *Applied qualitative research* (pp. 45-55). Aldershot, UK: Gower.
- Seidman, I. (2006). *Interviewing in qualitative research*. NY: Teachers College Press.  
[Chapter available on ER.](#)
- Spradley, J. P. (1998). *The ethnographic interview*. New York: Holt, Rinehart Winston.

### Writing and Publishing Resources

#### **Writing**

- Boice, R. (1994). *How writers journey to comfort and fluency: A psychological adventure*: Westport, CT: Praeger.
- Boice, R. (1996). *Procrastination and blocking: A novel, practical approach*. Westport, CT: Praeger.
- Brodkey, L. (1994). Writing on the bias. *College English, 56*(5), 527-550.
- Brodkey, L. (1996). *Writing permitted in designated areas only*. Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota Press.
- Dahl, K. K. (Ed.) (1992). *Teacher as writer: Entering the professional conversation*. Urbana, IL: National Council of Teachers of English.
- Elbow, P. (2000). *Everyone can write: Essays toward a hopeful theory of writing and teaching writing*. NY: Oxford University Press.
- Lamott, A. (1995). *Bird by bird: Some instructions on writing and life*. NY: Anchor.

- Nimus, N., & Boice, R. (2000). *Advice for new faculty members*. Boston: Allyn/Bacon.
- Strunk, W. Jr., & White, E. B. (1979). *The elements of style* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). NY: Macmillan.
- Williams, J. M. (1994). *Style: Ten lessons in clarity and grace* (4<sup>th</sup> ed.). NY: Harper Collins College Publishers.

### **Publishing**

- American Educational Research Association. Standards for reporting on empirical social science research in AERA publications. American Educational Research Association. *Educational Researcher*, 35(6), 33- 40.
- Boice, R. (1997). Strategies for enhancing scholarly productivity. In J. M. Moxley, & T. Taylor (Eds.). *Writing and publishing for academic authors*. (2<sup>nd</sup> ed., pp. 19-34). Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.
- Boice, R. (1994). Conclusion. How writers journey to comfort and fluency: A psychological adventure. (pp. 235-246). Westport, CT: Praeger.
- Booth, W., Colomb, G. G., & Williams, J. M. (2003). *The craft of research*: Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Cabell, D. W. E. (2006). *Cabell's directory of publishing opportunities in education*. Beaumont, TX: Cabell. *Includes list of journals, scope, mission, and contact*.
- Cantor, J. A. (1993). *A guide to academic writing*. Westport, CT: Praeger.
- Coelho, R. J., & Saunders, J. L. (1997). Journal publication and peer review: Guidelines and standards for authors and reviewers. *Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling*, 28(3), 18 -21.
- Fiske, D. W. (1997). Planning and revising research reports. In J. M. Moxley, & T. Taylor (Eds.). *Writing and publishing for academic authors*. (2<sup>nd</sup> ed., pp. 71-82). Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.
- Gray, T. (2005). *Publish and flourish: Become a prolific scholar*. Las Cruces, NM: Teaching Academy, New Mexico State University.
- Klingner, J. K., Scanlon, D., & Pressley, M. (2005). How to publish in scholarly journals. *Educational Researcher*, 34(8),14-19.
- McGinty, S. (1999). *Gatekeepers of knowledge: Journal editors in the sciences and the social sciences*. Westport, CT: Bergin & Garvey.
- Moxley, J. M. (1997). If not now, when? (pp. 127-140). In J. M. Moxley, & T. Taylor (Eds.). *Writing and publishing for academic authors*. (2<sup>nd</sup> ed. pp. 3-18). Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.
- Niederhauser, D.S., Wetzel, K., & Lindstrom, D. L. (2004). From manuscript to article: Publishing educational technology research. *Contemporary Issues in Technology and Teacher Education* [Online serial], 4(2).
- Onwuegbuzie, A. J., & Daniel, L. G. (2005). Editorial: Evidence-based guidelines for publishing articles in *Research in the Schools* and beyond. *Research in the schools*, 12(2), 1-11.
- Parsons, P. (1989). *Getting published: The acquisition process at University presses*. Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press.
- Thomas, R. M. & Brubaker, D. L. (2008). *Theses and dissertations: A guide to planning, research, and writing*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Corwin Press. (See Chapter 15, Reaching a wider audience, pp. 309-323).
- Thompson, B. (1995) Publishing your research results: Some suggestions and counsel. *Journal of Counseling & Development*, 73 (3), 342-345.

Wager, E. (2005). *Getting research published: An A to Z of publication strategy*. Oxford, UK: Radcliffe.

Wellington, J. (2003). *Getting published: A guide for lecturers and researchers*. London: RoutledgeFalmer.

### ***Websites on Publishing***

Academic Writing, Wendy Belcher <http://www.wendybelcher.com/index.html>

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See Chapter 2: The Dissertation's Deadly Sins

See Chapter 4: Avoiding the Warmed-Over Dissertation

See Chapter 5: Thesis to Book: What to Get Rid of and What to Do with What is Left

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## Tentative Class Schedule

Date	Topic	Readings/Assignment Due
<b>1</b> <b>6/5</b>	Introduction to the Course and Qualitative Research  Peer Review with Critical Friends	(Introductory Notes Emailed)  Bring Research Artifacts Read Establishing CF Team (Bb) Read Becker, Chapter 6 <i>Recommended: Klein et al. (Bb)</i>
<b>2</b> <b>6/7</b>	Qualitative Research and WoK  The Research/writing Process	Read Glesne Chapter 1 and pp. 272-275 Read Maxwell Chapter 1 Read Koro-Ljungberg et al. (EJ & Bb) Read Samaras pp. 2-10 in Chapter 12 (Bb)  <b>POST CURIOSITY MEMO</b>
<b>3</b> <b>6/12</b>	Researcher Relationships  Research Ethics  Selecting Site and Participants	Read Corbin & Strauss: Chapter 2 (ER) Read Maxwell Chapters 2 & 4 Read Glesne Chapter 2 & 6 Read Samaras Chapter 7 on Bb Read Kvale & Brinkmann Chapter 4 <i>Recommended: Peshkin (EJ)</i>  <b>POST CONTEXT/PARTICIPANTS MEMO</b>
<b>4</b> <b>6/14</b>	Designing Your Study: The Research Proposal  Conceptual Framework and Literature Review  <i>Guest Speaker: Elizabeth Hanna Pitts, CEHD Doctoral Student: Overview her exemplar report on Bb. See her excellent concept map- Appendix A.</i>	Look through student projects on Bb Read Maxwell Chapter 7 Read Glesne Appendix Read Maxwell Chapter 3 & 5 and overview Ch. 6 Read Kennedy article  Overview Kvale & Brinkmann Part I and II <i>Overview: Amundsen &amp; Wilson, read pp. 96-97</i>  <b>POST RESEARCHER IDENTITY MEMO</b>
<b>5</b> <b>6/19</b>	Conducting Effective Interviews  <i>Guest Speaker: Diana Karczmarszk, CEHD Doctoral Student &amp; Top Interviewer</i>	Read Glesne Chapter 4 Read Kvale & Brinkmann Chapter 7 <i>Recommended: Mears Chapter 7 (ER)</i>  <b>POST RESEARCH PROPOSAL</b>
<b>6</b> <b>6/21</b>	Technology-enhanced Learning (TEL) Online Work	<b>Conduct Online Database Search</b> <b>POST BEGINNING LIT REVIEW by 6/26</b>  *Individual Consultations with Professor via Skype for Feedback on Research Proposal

<b>7</b> <b>6/26</b>	Being a Careful Observer  Interview Workshop	Read Glesne Chapter 3 and 5 Read Patton Chapter 6 (ER) <b>Bring interview questions for CF Critique</b>
<b>8</b> <b>6/28</b>	Qualitative Data Analysis  Coding Techniques  <i>Guest Speaker: Mandi Gordon, CEHD Doctoral will discuss her amazing research analysis</i>	Read Glesne Chapter 7 Read Kvale & Brinkmann Chapters 11-15 Read Butler-Kisber (ER) Read Samaras Chapter 10 (Bb)  <b>POST PILOT INTERVIEW MEMO</b> <b>Start conducting interviews</b>
<b>9</b> <b>7/3</b>	Technology-enhanced Learning (TEL) Online Work	Conduct Interviews and/or Observations  <b>POST INTERVIEW OR OBSERVATION MEMO TO CF TEAM.</b>  *CF Group Web Chat on interviewing insights
<b>10</b> <b>7/5</b>	Technology-enhanced Learning (TEL) Online Work	<b>Begin analysis and document your process.</b> *CF Group Skype on analysis struggles.
<b>11</b> <b>7/10</b>	Standards of Validation Transparency and Trustworthiness  Writing Your Analysis and Findings	Read Creswell, 2013 (Bb) Re-Read Maxwell Chapter 6 Read Glesne Chapter 8-10 Read Kvale & Brinkman Chapter 16 <i>Recommended: Samaras Chapter 11 &amp; 13 (Bb)</i>  <b>Bring your data analysis for critical friend discussion.</b>
<b>12</b> <b>7/12</b>	Dialogical Validity	<b>POST RESEACH DRAFT</b>  <b>Bring another segment of your data analysis for critical friend discussion.</b>
<b>13</b> <b>7/17</b>	Abstract Workshop  Publishing	<b>Email yourself your draft abstract and bring copy to class.</b>
<b>14</b> <b>7/19</b>	Technology-enhanced Learning (TEL) Online Work	<b>POST CF FEEDBACK on CF Group Page USING FINAL PROJECT RUBRIC</b> *Prof & Peer-review - file exchange
<b>15</b> <b>7/24</b>	Embracing Critique  Assessing your development as a qualitative researcher	Revise and Polish Paper
<b>16</b> <b>7/26</b>	Presentation Briefs	<b>POST FINAL PROJECT</b> <b>BRING printed final copy of research project.</b>