

## PSYC 5001 - QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY

<b>Course</b>	Qualitative Research Methods in Psychology
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### COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This course is designed to introduce students to qualitative research methods. By the end of this course, students should have:

- ✓ an understanding of the philosophical underpinnings of both qualitative and quantitative research,
- ✓ knowledge of and experience with methods of collecting qualitative data, especially interviewing,
- ✓ knowledge of and experience with ways of analyzing qualitative data, especially thematic analysis and the methods of grounded theory,
- ✓ the ability to evaluate the quality of qualitative research (in terms of sampling, reliability, validity and generalizability), and
- ✓ the ability to write-up the methods and findings of qualitative research.

### EVALUATION

- Class preparation & participation 15.0%
- Exercises & self-evaluations I 12.5%
- Critique of a qualitative paper 25.0%
- Exercises & self-evaluations II 12.5%
- Qualitative research project 35.0%

### TEXT

There is no textbook for this course. Instead, specific articles will be assigned each week. Other useful information is available in books in the library. Especially informative books include:

Charmaz, K. (2006). *Constructing grounded theory*. London: Sage.

Strauss, A.L., & Corbin, J.M. (1998). *Basics of qualitative research: Techniques and procedures for developing grounded theory*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. HA29.S823.

Kvale, S. (1996). *InterViews: An introduction to qualitative research interviewing*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. HM48.K9.