UCLouvain

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Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods

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Teacher(s)	Edwards Martin : Willemsen, Jochem :				
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Language :	English				
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve				
Learning outcomes					
Evaluation methods	There are two evaluations of the course made by a written report and a film:				
	 Developing and defining a quantitative research method (50%). Developing and defining a qualitative research method (50%) 				
	The final grade will be composed of the two integrated evaluations. Successful completion of these two evaluations is essential to demonstrate the skills and knowledge defined in the learning outcomes of the course unit. Successful completion of the course can only be achieved by passing each of the evaluation activities.				
Teaching methods	Lectures and supervisions				
Content	The course uses a reverse class approach that builds on the student's understanding of qualitative and quantitative research methods. Specifically, the students must start the course with a Bachelor's level understanding of the following methods: Qualitative methods				
	Construction of a qualitative research design and the epistemological position Data collection methods: semi-directive interview, focus group, participant observation, diary, visual methods Methods of data analysis: thematic analysis, grounded theory, phenomenological methods, discursive methods, narrative methods Assessing research quality: Validity and triangulation				
	Quantitative methods				
	 Research questions and hypotheses Variables; factors of validity and reliability Selection of participants Methods for the relationship between variables, differences in levels of a variable, and differences within a variable (and methods of conterbalancing). Research methods and the university and clinic ethics board 				
	During the course, the students will work in groups to create a novel quantitative and a novel qualitative research method (two different evaluations). Students will be supported during the course by the two professors, who will facilitate a deepening of understanding and skills in the application of qualitative and quantitative research methods to new research questions and hypotheses.				
Inline resources	The Moodle platform				
Other infos	 The course is given in English, but using slides written in French. The reading for the course is in French and English. During the course, there are several discussions between a group and the professor. These discussions can be in French or English. There is no exam. Instead, there are two courseworks worth 50% each which can be made in French or English. 				
Faculty or entity in charge	EPSY				

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes		
Master [120] in Psychology	PSY2M	4		٩		