

Basics Of Social Research Qualitative And Quantitative Approaches 2nd Edition

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and limitations of each approach This book ultimately aims to equip students and researchers with the knowledge and skills necessary to conduct rigorous and meaningful research that contributes to the understanding and advancement of social knowledge

FAQs

1 Is this book suitable for both beginners and experienced researchers Yes this book caters to a diverse audience Beginners will find the clear explanations and stepbystep guidance particularly helpful while experienced researchers can utilize the text to refresh their understanding of fundamental concepts or delve deeper into specific methodologies

2 What are the main differences between qualitative and quantitative research Qualitative research aims to understand complex social phenomena by exploring meanings experiences and perspectives through indepth analysis of text and observations Quantitative research on the other hand seeks to measure and quantify social phenomena using statistical analysis of numerical data Both approaches offer valuable insights into social reality but differ in their focus methods and types of knowledge produced

3 How does this book address ethical considerations in social research The book dedicates a chapter to ethical principles in social research discussing key concepts such as informed consent privacy confidentiality and the potential for harm It emphasizes the importance of ethical decisionmaking throughout the research process from designing studies to collecting and analyzing data

3 4 What are some practical applications of the research methods presented in the book The book demonstrates the applicability of social research methods across various disciplines including sociology psychology anthropology political science education and public health It highlights how these methods can be used to investigate topics such as social inequality health disparities educational outcomes political polarization and cultural change

5 How can this book help me develop my own research project The book provides a roadmap for conducting a successful research project It guides readers through each stage of the research process from identifying a research question to analyzing data and presenting findings By following the books framework and incorporating its practical advice readers can develop their own research projects with greater confidence and clarity

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qualitative social research employs an accessible approach to present the multiple ways in which criticism enhances research practice packed full of relevant real world examples it showcases the strengths and pitfalls of each research method integrating the philosophical groundings of qualitative research with thoughtful overviews of a range of commonly used methods this book is ideal for students and prospective researchers and explains what makes qualitative sociological research practical useful and ethical it s an essential guide to how to undertake research use an appropriate research design and work with a range of qualitative data collection methods and includes detailed discussions of ethical issues references to new technologies in each chapter explanations of how to integrate online and visual methods with traditional data collection methods exercises to enhance learning the authors use their many years experience in using a range of qualitative methods to conduct and teach research to demonstrate the value of critical thinking skills at all stages of the research process

this book offers an excellent description of quantitative and qualitative design and analysis taught in the context of three inquiry pathways knowledge development social inquiry and social research furthermore it provides an excellent overview of both quantitative and qualitative methods with regard to their different epistemologies methods and techniques additionally punch provides a information guiding students in the use of computers for quantitative and qualitative analysis and b a wide range of illustrative examples to give the book a practical flavour i would not hesitate to

recommend it to my undergraduate students forum qualitative social research qualitative research net a carefully crafted introduction to social research methodology the author guides the reader through the research process in a comprehensive and logical way which is particularly helpful for the new researcher a great resource for anyone involved in social research novice or experienced dr mary kellett open university building on the success of an introduction to social research this second edition has been fully revised and updated to provide a broader coverage of a range of methodological approaches for third year and postgraduate students across the social sciences new features include wider coverage of qualitative research methods including sections on action research and discourse analysis more pedagogical features such as student exercises and illustrative examples to ensure this is a practical student friendly guide more in depth examination of the ethical issues involved in social research a comprehensive and accessible introduction to qualitative quantitative and mixed empirical methods an introduction to social research is an ideal starting point for all students and researchers in the social sciences

helps students understand what research can and cannot do become better consumers of research and learn why properly conducted research is important this text teaches students to be a better consumer of research results understand how the research enterprise works and prepares them to conduct small research projects upon completing this text students will be aware of what research can and cannot do and why properly conducted research is important using clear accessible language and examples from real research this discusses both qualitative and quantitative approaches to social research emphasizing the benefits of combining various approaches briefer paperback text adapted from neuman s social research methods sixth edition

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practitioners and researchers faced with the challenges of doing qualitative research in both applied and academic settings in messy real life contexts

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this accessible engaging introduction to qualitative research methods covers a wide range of qualitative methods including ethnography observation interviewing content analysis and unobtrusive measures the text also includes well chosen research examples and exercises to help students understand and apply various research techniques

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jane elliot s examination of the use of narrative within the broad context of social science inquiry is a must read for both qualitative and quantitative researchers novice and expert alike journal of advanced nursing this important book does an impressive job of synthesising a complex literature and bringing together both qualitative and quantitative methods of narrative analysis it will become a milestone in the development of narrative methods although ground breaking in many ways it is very clearly written and accessible to readers from a wide variety of backgrounds and methodological experience nigel gilbert university of surrey an elegantly written scholarly and accessible text jane elliot shows a sophisticated appreciation of contemporary methodological developments and makes a persuasive case for the use of narrative approaches in both qualitative and quantitative research the book challenges and advances debates about combining methods and shows how stories can work within and across conventional research boundaries it is a truly original contribution to the literature amanda coffey cardiff school of social sciences an outstanding book jane elliot breaks new ground by demonstrating to new generations of social scientists how the power of narrative can fruitfully be harnessed in social research this is a must read book professor mike savage university of manchester this is a lucid and accessible introduction to narrative methods in social research it is also an important book about the nature role and theoretical basis of research methodology in general jane elliot instructs the reader on the basic methods and methodological assumptions that form the basis of narrative methods she does so in a way that is practical and accessible and in a way that will make the book a favourite with students and experienced researchers alike elliot argues that both qualitative and quantitative methods are characterised by a concern with narrative and that our research data can best be analyzed if it is seen in narrative terms in concrete step by step terms she

details for the reader how to go about collecting data and how to subject that data to narrative analysis while at the same time placing this process in its wider theoretical context she works across the traditional quantitative qualitative divide to set out the ways in which narrative researchers can uncover such issues as social change causality and social identity she also shows how the techniques and skills used by qualitative researchers can be deployed when doing quantitative research and similarly how qualitative researchers can sometimes profit from using quantitative skills and techniques this book provides both a fascinating and a challenging read what sets this text apart from other books on research methodology and methods is that it does not focus exclusively on either quantitative or qualitative research approaches but rather attempts to bridge the divide the book should be compulsory reading not only for those aspiring to undertake narrative research and those students undertaking higher degree research courses but also for those more experienced researches wishing to explore contemporary issues in research methods and methodology as a recent recruit to a lecturer practitioner post with little recent experience in the subject area covered by this book i found it met my needs very well i would certainly recommend this book for purchase dr andrew pettipher university of nottingham uk

this clearly written and user friendly book is ideal for students or researchers who wish to get a basic but solid grasp of a topic and see how it fits with other topics by following the links a student can easily and efficiently build up a clear conceptual map of social research malcolm williams reader in sociology cardiff university this is a really useful book written in an accessible manner for students beginning their study of social research methods it is helpful both as an introductory text and as a reference guide for more advanced students most of the key topics in methods and methodology are covered and it will be suitable as a recommended text on a wide variety of courses clive seale brunel university at last an authoritative crystal clear introduction to research methods which really takes account of the needs of students for accessible focused information to help with undergraduate essays and exams the key concepts discussed here are based on a review of teaching syllabi and the authors experience of many years of teaching topics range over qualitative and quantitative approaches and combine practical considerations with philosophical issues they include several new topics like internet and phone polling internet searches and visual methods each section is free standing can be tackled in order but with links to other sections to enable students to cross reference and build up a wider understanding of central research methods to facilitate comprehension and aid study each section begins with a definition it is followed by a summary of key points with key

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designing social research aims to guide students and new researchers using everyday non jargonised language through the jungle of setting up their own research study ian greener provides readers an accessible combination of guidance on how to practically plan one s research and understand the underpinning methodological principles that should inform the decisions we make about the methods we plan to use this is the perfect starter book for anyone looking to design their own research project and make sense of and justify the many decisions that go into the research design process the goal throughout is to enable students and researchers to assess the appropriateness of a range of methods and to get understanding of the strengths and limitations of different approaches to research greener highlights key debates in the field both philosophical and practical and presents them in such a way that they remain constantly relevant to research practice of his readers coverage includes framing an effective research question problem examining the jargon of social research the links between theory methodology and method the role of literature reviewing in research design managing and planning the research process sampling qualitative designs quantitative designs mixed methods designs data analysis designing social research will be ideal first reading for m level students and undergraduates planning significant research projects for their dissertations it will also be invaluable to first year phd students considering how they will go about their research projects

findings or results

in an ex colonial nation such as india the discipline of sociology grew by absorbing multiple influences from local milieu and national concerns changes in disciplinary trends worldwide also influenced the ways in which sociological knowledge was produced however research methodology is still not considered a distinct field in indian academia because of which emerging issues and concerns around the methodology of sociological research or changing trends do not receive adequate attention doing social research tries to fill this gap by providing scholars with an introduction to a range of qualitative methods oral history content analysis ethnography life history method narrative analysis used to conduct research in new and emerging

fields given the profound changes in the nature of sociology and sociological practice the chapters present sociological research as a messy multi layered exercise historically situated and dependent upon varied ideas practices and perspectives the contributors make use of the historical method to understand questions of caste in the dalit struggle the village studies tradition and how its very meaning has changed over time balancing the discussion on theories are tangible examples of engagement with these methods the life history method helps to provide an account of a working class woman oral history brings to light the experiences of women following the bhopal gas tragedy a shift from interviews to narratives enables a patient centred approach in medical accounts among many others combining theory and practical knowledge doing social research will be invaluable for students and scholars of sociology and social anthropology

content includes and emphasizes the important of problem solving and decision making the links between statistics and research methods and the use of computers in social research includes current research examples and illustrations from such recent topics as welfare and poverty gender issues affirmative action the aids epidemic and more

applied social research focuses on the real world context of applied research it discusses the often overlooked yet essential process of planning poor planning inevitably produces inadequate research the text helps researchers decide how to approach their applied research problems and to think through the major issues in the design and analysis of their project applied social research also discussed the idea that in applied social research the use of a single method type is unlikely to provide answers to the often complex set of research questions being addressed and highlights the benefits of using two or more research methods in the one study the author argues that such mixed method designs are becoming widely used in applied social research particularly where the methods combine qualitative and quantitative data thereby enabling a richer set of data to provide various perspectives on the research topic removing limitations imposed by using single methods examples of such designs are provided throughout useful mixed method designs are outlined and their advantages discussed

may examines the research process in general and aspects of its practice in particular in order to bridge the gap between theory and methods this expanded edition incorporates the latest developments in social research

whether students are working with qualitative quantitative or mixed methods approaches this book demonstrates how good research is about asking and answering good questions and guides readers new to methods in how to

understand structure and successfully explore those questions

this book provides a straightforward student focused introduction to doing mixed methods research covering everything from why and when mixed methods is appropriate as well as how to use qualitative and quantitative methods in tandem assuming no prior research methods knowledge it introduces mixed methods alongside basic research theory and principles fully integrating mixed methods into the research methods foundation with clearly defined key terms and a structure that maps to the way students work on their projects it progresses at a gradual pace suitable for mixed methods beginners offering encouragement and tips for success throughout the full research process hall helps students confidently explain mixed methods paradigms and methodologies define and choose a research approach combine methods effectively sample collect and analyze primary and secondary data communicate and write up results packed with tables figures and boxes that distill key concepts into retainable visuals this book is the perfect companion to support students on their mixed methods projects

this is a general and integrated introduction to qualitative and quantitative research design data collection and analysis in the social sciences field and includes comprehensive and practical instruction including screenshots on the use of analysis software

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