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educational design research blends scientific investigation with systematic development and implementation of solutions to educational problems empirical investigation is conducted in real learning settings not laboratories to craft usable and effective solutions at the same time the research is carefully structured to produce theoretical understanding that can serve the work of others to support graduate students as well as experienced researchers who are new to this approach conducting educational design research integrates multiple perspectives of educational design research throughout this three part book part one clarifies the educational design research origins approach and outcomes it also presents a generic model portraying the overall process part two discusses the constituent elements of the model in detail these are analysis and exploration design and construction evaluation and reflection and implementation and spread part three offers recommendations for proposing reporting and advancing educational design research through related readings and richly varied examples conducting educational design research offers clear and well documented guidance on how to conceptualize and conduct this stimulating form of inquiry for decades policies for educational research worldwide have swung back and forth between demanding rigor above all other concerns and increasing emphasis on impact these two qualities need not be mutually exclusive this volume supports readers in grasping and realizing the potential of educational design research it demonstrates how rigorous and relevant investigation can yield both theoretical understanding and solutions to urgent educational problems

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aimed at fourth year undergraduates masters and phd students in education this title presents a new examination of scientific rigour and evidence based research in education

this book provides a clear and straightforward guide for all those seeking to conduct quantitative research in the field of education using primary research data samples while positioned as less powerful and somehow inferior non parametric tests can be very useful where the research can only be designed to accommodate data structure which is ordinal or scale but violates a normality assumption which is required for parametric tests non parametric data are a staple of educational research and as such it is essential that educational researchers learn how to work with these data with confidence and rigour

conducting educational research sixth edition thoroughly addresses the major components of research design and methodology the text is especially useful for inexperienced student researchers and doctoral students in the early stages of preparing a dissertation the early chapters of the text clearly describe the process of selecting a problem reviewing the literature constructing a hypothesis identifying and labeling variables and constructing operational definitions the later chapters assist students in refining methodological procedures analyzing data and writing the final research report the clarity of the text and the numerous practical examples help to reinforce important concepts and key ideas increasing the efficacy of the text for even the most inexperienced student researchers additionally sample studies are included as models of acceptable published research and serve as a guide against which students may evaluate their own work changes in new edition more illustrations tables figures and bulleted lists to enhance understanding more and simpler explanations of complex process a greater balance between the various approaches to research ranging from experimental to qualitative with causal comparative survey and evaluation in between part i expanded to include additional ethical considerations when conducting research part ii renamed carrying out fundamental steps of research additional details regarding measurement and observation expanded discussion of the application of design criteria part iii renamed carrying out quantitative research additional chapters on experimental research correlational and causal comparative research survey research and evaluation research

the book will be important reading for students at masters and doctoral level and will be particularly helpful for professionals from education health social work criminal justice and business who carry out research in their workplace and who need to reflect upon the consequences and possibilities for action and change book jacket

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discipline this practical guide is the first designed specifically to support those planning conducting and disseminating primary care educational research while research informs clinical practice organisation of primary care services and teaching the discipline educational practices and modes of delivery are rapidly changing particularly in response to new information technologies primary care practitioners must be engaged in life long learning and keep abreast of developments in many arenas and educational research into how to address this has thus become of paramount importance key features the first how to guide to designing conducting and disseminating primary care educational research focus on inter professional education co design and participatory research approaches in line with current primary care models of care involving inter disciplinary teams wide in scope exploring the current research environment in the contexts of undergraduate teaching postgraduate training continuing professional development and patient education for academics and educationalists at all levels step by step introduction to the processes of literature review establishing the existing knowledge base choosing a topic research questions and methodology conducting research and disseminating results supported by the wonca working parties on research and education this book will encourage and upskill academics at universities and institutions teaching primary care in both undergraduate and postgraduate settings providing support and guidance on how to conduct their own research and evaluate their own programmes and will help to grow academic research in this discipline in high and importantly also low and middle income countries

doing educational research in rural settings is a much needed guide for educational researchers whose research interests are located outside metropolitan areas in places that are generically considered to be rural this book is both timely and important as it takes up the key question of how to conduct educational research within and for rural communities it explores the impact of educational research in such contexts in terms of the lasting good of research and also those being researched the authorship is international which brings together researchers experienced in conducting educational inquiry in rural places from across european australian american and canadian contexts allowing readers insight into national and regional challenges it also draws on the research experiences and methodological challenges faced by senior figures in the field of rural educational research as well as those in their early careers key topics include working with and within the rural the impact of educational globalisation and the problematisation of cultural difference in social research researcher subjectivities the position of education research in rural contexts the usefulness of research reciprocity and converging interest ethics and confidentiality this book is uniquely written with an eye to practicality and applicability and will be an engaging guide for higher degree and doctoral students seeking to gain a stronger understanding of educational research in rural settings

explains the debates around education research is it high quality is it scientific enough and is it useful this book shows how research in education must meet different demands in different places times and conditions it is a useful companion to textbooks on research methodology

where was this book during the last five years when i was working with so many educational professionals on their dissertations we could have used

this book the step by step process is clear for those new to research and accurately reflects the best of research theory this text will also be an excellent on the shelf immediate reference for educators who want to conduct on site research in their schools and classrooms after they have finished their dissertations and theses diane m dunlap adjunct professor in the department of educational leadership university of oregon usa anyone embarking on a research project for the first time is likely to be daunted by the research process and the huge array of seemingly impenetrable terminology this user friendly yet comprehensive book is divided into three sections the author carefully guides the reader step by step through the entire research process from getting started and gathering data to making sense of the data accessible and down to earth this book will prove an invaluable resource for educational researchers everywhere a fresh and lively approach to issues of undertaking diverse studies across a broad spectrum it raises questions and challenges students to think and consider moral questions too miriam e david professor of education institute of education university of london uk a thoughtful accessible no nonsense guide to educational research written for the novice researcher research supervisors should point their students towards this helpful one stop shop for good practical ideas on conducting robust educational research richard james professor of higher education and director of centre for the study of higher education university of melbourne australia

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