

Module Details			
Module Title	Research in Practice		
Module Code	SOW5013-B		
Academic Year	2024/5		
Credits	20		
School	School of Social Sciences		
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 5		

Contact Hours				
Туре	Hours			
Lectures	28			
Seminars	5			
Directed Study	167			

Availability				
Occurrence	Location / Period			
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1			

Module Aims

To equip students with knowledge and critical understanding of research design and how primary research is undertaken.

To develop research-minded practitioners.

Outline Syllabus

What is research?

Analysis, interpretation, reporting.

Descriptive statistics.

The nature and process of social research.

Reflexivity.

Participatory research.

Ethics.

Being research-minded.

Research designs.

Qualitative methodologies.

Research and literature reviews.

The uses and abuses of research (limitations, selective reporting, the role of evidence).

Learning Outcomes				
Outcome Number	Description			
O1	Evidence knowledge of the main methods of designing and undertaking a simple social care research project, and ability to evaluate critically the appropriateness of different approaches to undertaking research.			
02	Understand and use simple descriptive statistics.			
03	Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of research in practice.			
04	Demonstrate knowledge and critical understanding of ethics in research.			
05	Evidence an understanding of the limits of their knowledge, and how this influences analyses and interpretations based on that knowledge.			

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

This module will be delivered using a blended learning approach and will therefore comprise a mixture of online and face to face lectures and seminars.

There will be two assessments which are a group written presentation, which explores ethics in relation to undertaking research with children, and an individual 1500 word essay, which will consider the use of semi-structured interviews in qualitative research.

Mode of Assessment				
Туре	Method	Description	Weighting	
Summative	Presentation	Group presentation SUPPLEMENTARY: Individual presentation	60%	
Summative	Coursework - Written	Individual essay	40%	

Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

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