

Seminar

Part of the GGS Teaching Assistantship Program WS 2014/15

Qualitative Research Methods: Focus Group Discussions and Interviews

Organizational details

Instructor: *Fitsum Resome Teddla, PhD student at the Institute of Political Science, JLU*

Dates: January 13 & 20, 2015, each from 12:00 – 15:00

Location: Dekanatssitzungssaal FB 01 (first floor on the left), Licher Str. 72, 35394
Giessen

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Objective

The aim of the seminar is to strengthen participant's skills with the concept and methods of qualitative field research by elaborating the reasons behind using specific qualitative data collection methods. Particular emphasis will be given to focus group discussion and various types of interviews. The lecture is composed of the conceptual foundations of qualitative research methods, description of selected methods used in qualitative data collection, parameters for selecting specific methods and potential barriers and how to overcome them.

Content

The seminar contains three major parts:

1. Conceptual foundations of qualitative research methods
2. Which methods can I use for qualitative data collection? Special focus on focus group discussion and various types of interviews
3. What are the difficulties in using those methods and how can I resolve them?

Target group

Undergraduate students, doctoral candidates, and postdoctoral researchers

Course language

English

Registration

By December 20, 2014 via e-mail at info@ggs.uni-giessen.de