

GEOG186/GSW196/ANTH196 – Qualitative Research Methods – Spring 2019 Schedule (subject to minor changes)

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Week	Topic	Readings (and Listeners)	Goals	Assignments
Jan 14, 16, 18	Introduction: The Production of Knowledge; Theory, Epistemology, and Research Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 1 <i>QRMHG</i> “Qualitative Research and its Place in Human Geography” Politics of Citations Podcast 	Becoming familiar with the scope of qualitative research in Geography & beyond	In-class exercise Short reflection ¶ on Podcast (due Fri – see Bb for link to podcast and assignment details)
Jan 23, 25 (No classes Jan. 21 – MLK Day)	The scope, practices, and ethics of qualitative research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 2 <i>QRMHG</i> “Power, Subjectivity, and Ethics in Qualitative Research” Whitson, 2016* Feminist Reflexivity Ch. 6 <i>QRMHG</i> “Qualitative Research Design and Rigor” 	Building a sense of critical reflexivity and rigorous practice	IRB on-line tutorial (if you haven’t done it in the past year) by Jan 25 See link on Bb for tutorial
Jan. 28, 30, Feb 1	Ethnography & Participant Observation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 15 <i>QRMHG</i> “Placing Observation in the Research Toolkit” Kusek & Smiley, 2014* Positionality & Gender Muñoz, 2010* Brown, Queer & Gendered 	First set of tools: watching and recording everyday life	Monday posting
Feb 4, 6, 8	Interviews & Sketch Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 8 <i>QRMHG</i> “Interviewing” Warren, 2016* Walking Interviews Gieseeking, 2013* Mental Sketch Mapping 	Working directly with participants	Monday posting Short Paper 1 Due Mon. Feb. 4 – Knowledges, Positionality, Ethics & Rigor
Feb. 11, 13, 15	Questionnaires and New Media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 12 <i>QRMHG</i> “Using Questionnaires in Qualitative Human Geography” Ch. 16 <i>QRMHG</i> “New Media” 	Traditional and new methods of social science research	Monday posting
Feb 20, 22 (no class Mon 2/18)	Project Work Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eaves, 2017* Queer Black South (discussion 2/22 – interrogating intersectional research ‘frames’) 	Using the short week for in-class project support	Project-related assignments
Feb 25, 27, Mar 1	Oral Histories and Focus Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 9 <i>QRMHG</i> “Oral History and Human Geog Ch. 10 <i>QRMHG</i> “Focusing on the Focus Group” Benson & Nagar, 2006* Feminist Oral History 	Different approaches to engaging and collaborating with participants	Monday posting
Mar 4, 6, 8	Diaries, Journals, & Participatory mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hansson & Roulston, 2017* Travel Diaries vs. GPS Eidse & Turner, 2014* Journaling and Counter-Narratives Duffy & Waite, 2013* Sound Mapping 	Opening the potential of methods – tracking kids’ mobility, sound mapping, and participatory maps	Monday posting Short Paper 2 due Mon Mar 4 – Watching & Talking with People

*Indicates a reading available as a PDF on Blackboard.

Mar 11 – 15	Spring break	• Spring break	Relaxing!	Spring break
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Mar 18, 20, 22	Archival research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch.11 <i>QRMHG</i> “Historical research and archival sources” Mills, 2013* Historical Geogs of Citizenship 	Intro to archival research – using the past to understand ourselves	Monday posting
Mar 25, 27, 29	Photo and landscape analysis; Photovoice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duncan & Duncan, 2010* Doing Landscape Interpretation Goodman et al., 2018* Indigenous Youth & Photovoice 	Seeing landscapes in new ways	Monday posting
Apr 1, 3*, 5* *Dr. Cope @ AAG conference	Participatory Research Approaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 17 <i>QRMHG</i> “Participatory Action Research” Robinson, Block, & Rees, 2016* Community Geography & PPGIS 	Stepping out of the ‘expert’ role	Monday posting
Apr 8, 10, 12	Mixed Methods and Qualitative GIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cope & Elwood, 2009* Qualitative GIS intro Nightingale, 2003* Feminist in the Forest McQuoid et al. 2019* Smoking among Bisexual Young Adults 	Pulling multiple forms of data together; making meaning in new ways	Monday posting Short Paper 3 due Fri. April 12 – Mapping Meanings
Apr 15, 17, 19	Making Sense of Data 1: Discourse analysis, Coding, and Narrative analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch. 14 <i>QRMHG</i> “Doing Discourse Analysis” Cope & Kurtz, 2016* Organizing, Coding, and Analyzing Qualitative Data 	Using systematic methods to analyze qualitative data <i>rigorously</i>	Monday posting
Apr 22, 24, 26	Making sense of data 2: Representing Qualitative Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch 19 <i>QRMHG</i> “Writing Qualitative Geographies, Constructing Meaningful Geographical Knowledges” Ch. 20 <i>QRMHG</i> “Communicating Qualitative Research to Wider Audiences” 	Thinking about your audience, constructing meaningful visual representations and reliable text from data	Monday posting
Apr 29, May 1, 3	Group Work & Wrap-up		Working collaboratively, Fine-tuning final projects	
May 7; 4:30-7:15pm	Final Presentations & celebration		Sharing your findings to your peers, community partners, and faculty	Group Project Visual Representation and Final Reflection Paper Due

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