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Social research: Methodological thinking 320 (RES 320)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Humanities
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	BA Extended Programme BA Humanities BA Languages Languages BA Law BA Option: Sports Psychology BSc Human Physiology, Genetics and Psychology
Service modules	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Prerequisites	RES 210
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Psychology
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

The module introduces methods of inquiry in the social sciences and humanities. The purpose of this module is to introduce students to the research process in order to equip them with the necessary competence to:

- identify social problems, formulate research questions and hypotheses;
- have a basic understanding of writing the literature review and research proposal;
- know and select relevant methods of inquiry;
- be aware of the necessity of conducting ethically sound research; and
- interpret and present data graphically.

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