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Social research: Methodological thinking 320 (RES 320)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Humanities
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	BA
Service modules	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Prerequisites	No prerequisite.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	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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