Introductory, Practical & Applied Research Methods
A Course Series with Kristin Diemer

The Ethics of Research & Obtaining Ethical Clearance for a Project: not always the same thing. What are ethics committees looking for and what information do you need to supply? This practical session will help you both identify the key ethical issues of concern in your project, as well as navigate the system seeking ethical approval for a project.
Date: FRI 16th MAY, 10.00am – 1.00pm, OASES

Introduction to Research & Developing the Overarching Research Question: This session is useful for those in the very early stages of research. In this session we will explore: your research questions in the context of the wider world; the various quantitative and qualitative data collection techniques; scoping the research landscape and the purpose of literature reviews.
Date: FRI 30th MAY, 10.00am – 1.00pm, OASES

How to Ask Questions for Data Collection: There is nothing worse than getting to the end of a data collection period to discover the questions you asked didn’t generate the information you need. Are you ready to start a project and want to make sure the data you obtain is suitable for exploring your overarching research question? This course will assist with refining your questionnaire, interview script or group discussion template. We will talk about selecting participants, asking and following-up questions, the importance of pilot testing and the value of reflection and thinking laterally during the project.
Date: FRI 13th JUNE, 10.00am – 1.00pm, OASES

How to Organize & Read Research Data: So you have a data extract from your workplace, a pile of questionnaires, hours of audio/video recordings, or thousands of images. This session will offer support for commencing data analysis with tips on organizing and sorting your material into themes. We identify some of the software tools to assist and discuss how to read and think about the descriptive data (eg. frequency counts) as a first step before more complex analysis.
Date: FRI 27th JUNE, 10.00am – 1.00pm, OASES

All sessions are 3 hours & provide general introductory information.
Single Ticket: $65 per course  |  Class Size: 10 – 20 (min numbers required)
Facilitator: Kristin Diemer (PhD, Photographer, Sociologist & Social Researcher)
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