

SOAN*2120*02 – Introductory Methods

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This introductory research course provides students and researchers with matchless exposure to both qualitative and quantitative methods. The course allows the students to understand the basic framework of the research process, from choosing a topic, formulating questions, selecting data collection methods, sampling, analyzing data and reporting findings appropriately. Topics include the fundamental issues in social research; research ethics; research designs; data collection and analysis techniques, qualitative and quantitative data, and writing reports.

The objective of the course is to prepare students to critically evaluate and carry out independent social research and provide the research literacy required for more advanced courses in research methods. The three lectures are designed to provide an essential understanding of these topics.

The course will utilize class activities, reflection exercises and tests as methods of evaluation.