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Qualitative Methods

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Qualitative methods are increasingly used in social sciences and humanities. This course is a perfect preparation for conducting qualitative research in your bachelor or master thesis research, or as an update of what you might have learned before.

In social sciences and humanities we study how people act in specific situations. These situations are highly contingent and are interpreted in a subjective way. People also follow their own subjective logic in the way they act in these situations. To investigate these processes, we cannot rely on standardised categorisations, nor on presumed rationalities. Qualitative methods accordingly try to be open to these subjectivities and contingencies. Qualitative data are often collected by means of open (in depth) interviews, documents, and visual data, and are analysed by means of different interpretative methods. In this intensive course you learn how to conduct, transcribe and analyse interviews, documents and visual data. You will also get to know and practically exercise the basic principles of different methods of data analysis such as 'content analysis', 'grounded theory analysis', 'phenomenological analysis', 'ethnography', 'critical discourse analysis' and 'visual data analysis'. Finally you will also learn how to present the results of qualitative research.

**After this course you are able to**

After this course you will have:
- An overview of the different qualitative research methods enabling you to make the right methodological choices
- Insight in the scientific and theoretical backgrounds of these methods, assuring you the theoretic consistency of your methodological choices
- Deeper knowledge of the backgrounds and basic principles of the different techniques for the analysis of qualitative data
- Make an adequate choice of qualitative research techniques for your research
- Critically reflect on the choice and the application of qualitative research techniques
- Relate the results of qualitative research to the theory and to present the results of qualitative research in an effective way

**Numer of EC**
2 ECTS credits
Entry level
Advanced bachelor, Master and PhD

Course leader
Prof. Dr. Huib Ernste, Human Geography, Nijmegen School of Management

This course is
a perfect preparation for conducting qualitative research in your bachelor or master thesis or PhD research, or as an update of what you might have learned before. It also serves as an enhancement to your pre-master programme.

Admission documents
Motivation letter stating for what purpose and for what kind of research you think you will use qualitative methods.

Dates
Monday 14 August - Friday 18 August 2017

Course fee
€ 450

Discounts
• 10% discount if you register before April 1, 2017.
• 15% additional partner-discount for students from partners universities on all course fees! See website for complete partner list!
Want to be part of the RSS experience?

More than just a course!
Radboud Summer School is more than an academic event. It is a unique opportunity to meet other international students and researchers and to get to know Radboud University and the city of Nijmegen. Our participants come from all over the world and have different cultural and academic backgrounds. Our programme includes the following activities free of charge: welcome reception, sports activity, guest lecture and farewell drink. We offer also a BBQ, River Cruise, City Tour, Pub quiz and excursion for a small fee.

Have a look at what participants had to say about their experience!

And do not forget to register now!

Deadline application
June 1, 2017

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