

School of Education: Research Methodology Support Sessions 2023-24

Year One PhD: Semester One

	Time	Session Title	Content	Host	Date (Friday)	Venue
Session 1	4 - 8	The PhD Octopus or is it possibly a Squid?	Welcome to the messy world of the PhD. . .	Andrew Loxley	22nd September [Week 3]	3105
		A Critical Introduction to Educational and Social Science Research	Introduction to types & purposes of educational research – process & products			
Session 2	4-8	Navigating the Aah to Zed of Research Design	Introduction to the different elements which make up a research design	Andrew Loxley	20 th October [Week 8]	3105
Session 3	4 – 8	The Literature Review Process for Doctoral Studies & Some thoughts critical	Accessing & Searching the Literature	Tom Farrelly & Andrew	10 ^h November [week 11]	Online

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Session 4	4 – 6	Traditions, Paradigms and Other Inconvenient Fictions	Overview of the ‘ologies and the usual traditions: positivism, Marxism, feminism, critical realism, critical theory etc.	Andrew & Aidan Seery	1 st December [Week 14]	3105
	6 - 8	The Ethics of Research	The role of ethics in doctoral research			
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Session 5	4 - 6	Reflexivity & Research	The process of constructing reflexively ‘inclined’ research designs	Andrew	19 th January [Week 21]	3106
	4 - 6	Approaches to Educational Research: Designing Case Studies	The case study as a mode of research			
Session 6	4 - 8	Approaches to Educational Research: Visual Studies	Using images in research work – a quick look	Andrew	9 th February [Week 24]	3105
Session 7	4 - 6	Research Methods *1	Using Observation – a quick view	Andrew	15 th March [Week 29]	3105
	6 - 8	Research Methods *2	Interviewing & conversations with a purpose.	Andrew		

Session 8	4 - 8	The Grand Student Poster Session	Show & Tell: A chance to see what you've all been getting up to!	Andrew	12th April [Week 33]	3105
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