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PhD Level, ECTS: 5 Dates: 20, 21, 22 April, 10:00am-16:00pm via Zoom



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This 3-day course covers the diversity of qualitative research and provides resources for participants to consider and develop their own research practices. It further discusses and unpacks the complexity of various research design decisions in qualitative inquiry.

The workshop focuses on the following topics:

(1) introduction to qualitative research;

(2) the theorizing potential of the qualitative case study under different philosophical orientations

(3) sampling practices in qualitative (case) research

(4) qualitative interview research and ethnography

(5) alternatives for analyzing qualitative data

(6) publishing qualitative research in top tier academic journals.

Each part of the workshop is based on an analysis and discussion of examples as well as relevant pre-readings. Participants are also invited to share their own experiences in the classroom including reviews of qualitative papers as well as qualitative datasets.

Course Instructor:

Professor Emmanuella Plakoyiannaki is Chair of International Business at the University of Vienna, Austria and Visiting Professor at Leeds University Business School, UK. She is Associate Editor of the British Journal of Management. She has published on numerous aspects of doing qualitative research. Her co-authored article on "Theorising from Case Studies..." received the Journal of International Business Studies 2021 Decade Award for its impact in the international business community.

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