Detailed Course Syllabus

Academic year: 2025/2026	Semester: Summer semester

Study Program: Povijest (dvopredmetni) (R) (elective) Povijest (R) (elective) Diplomski sveučilišni studij Povijest (nastavnički) (R) (elective) Komunikologija - Interkulturalna komunikacija i novinarstvo (R) (elective) Komunikologija - Znanstveno istraživanje medija i odnosi s javnošću (R) (elective) Psihologija (R) (elective) Sestrinstvo (R) (elective) Sociologija - Upravljanje i javne politike (R) (elective) Sociologija (dvopredmetni) (R) (elective) Sestrinstvo (I) (elective)	Year of study: 1

I. BASIC COURSE INFORMATION

Name: Qualitative Interview and Arts Based Research		
Abbreviation: IZBD250		
Status: Compulsory	**ECTS:** 6	**Code:** 251990
Prerequisites: No		
Total Course Workload		

Teaching Mode	Total Hours
Lecture	30
Seminar	30

Class Time and Place: HKS - according to the published schedule

II. TEACHING STAFF

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III. DETAILED COURSE INFORMATION

Teaching Language: English

Course Description	This course is designed to help young researchers develop qualitative interview and arts-based research projects and reflect on research ethics and challenges in a rapidly changing and digital environment/society. Through practical application, students will be empowered for research projects in the future. Course will offer a theoretical and practical background for conducting qualitative interview in social science research and will offer insights in the participatory arts-based research. The course highlights the importance of specifying a population of interest, an appropriate sampling strategy, and potential approaches to recruitment. It introduces the relationship between the researcher and participant and the practice of reflexivity. Finally, the course provides key examples to highlight the range of possibilities afforded by arts-based research in researching vulnerable social groups. In practical sense, students will learn that art is a form of (transferable) knowledge, which can offer empowerment and change.
Educational Outcomes	1. Describe the theoretical background of qualitative interviewing and arts-based research. 2. Explain the researcher's role, reflexivity, and creativity. 3. Discuss ethical considerations and prepare an informed consent. 4. Design, define and prepare a topic list for an inquiry, an appropriate sampling strategy and an interview protocol. 5. Explain qualitative coding and analysis in general. 6. Present an written essay.
Textbooks and Materials	
Required	Flick, U. (Ed.), *The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Research Design*. SAGE Publications Ltd. (Chapters: 2, 3, 17, 18, 19, 31, 57, 58, 60, 62) Leavy, P. (2018). Introduction to arts□based research. In: P. Leavy (Ed.),*Handbook of arts-based research* (pp. 3–21). Guilford Press. Wang, Q., Coemans, S, Siegesmund R., Hannes, K. (2018). Arts-based Methods in socially engaged research practice: a classification framework. *Art/Research International: A Transdisciplinary Journal, 2* (2), 5-39.

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Examination and Grading		
To Be Passed DA	**Exclusively Continuous Assessment** NE	**Included in Average Grade** DA

Prerequisites to Obtain Signature and Take Final Exam	1. Class Attendance: mandatory 70% attendance is required; 2. Seminar Assignments: in-class presentation and seminar paper; A minimum of 35% of the grade should be acquired through regular course activities: seminar assignments and two midterm exams
Examination Manner	Grading Scale: Failure (1) – 0 do 49,9% Satisfactory (2) – 50 do 64,9% Good (3) – 65 do 79,9% Very Good (4) – 80 do 89,9% Excellent (5) – 90 do 100% Final Grade Calculation: 1. a) In-class Activities – 70% 1) Seminar Assignments – 30% 2) Mid term 1 – 20% 3) Mid term 2 – 20% 2. Final Exam – 30%
Grading Manner	Final Exam (written)

Detailed Overview of Grading within ECTS

VRSTA AKTIVNOSTI	ECTS bodovi - koeficijent opterećenja studenata	UDIO OCJENE (%)
Pohađanje nastave	1.5	0
Samostalni rad	0.76	20
Kolokvij-međuispit	0.9	25
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Ukupno tijekom nastave	4.06	70
Završni ispit	1.35	30
UKUPNO BODOVA (nastava+zav.ispit)	5.41	100

Midterm exam dates:

Exam period dates:

IV. WEEKLY CLASS SCHEDULE

[Predavanja]

#	Topic

1	Introduction to qualitative research: an overview of interviewing and arts-based research in sociology
2	The role of the researcher and reflexivity
3	Ethics in qualitative research
4	Setting research question and research objective
5	Sensitive topics and vulnerability
6	Selecting a sample
7	Qualitative interview: types and techniques
8	Creativity and imagination
9	Working with and for hard-to reach groups
10	Working with elderly and children
11	Researching institutions
12	Literary genres and performative genres
13	Visual arts and audio-visual arts
14	Data analysis: making transcript using CAQDAS software
15	Creative methods of research dissemination

[Seminari]

#	Topic
1	Identifying history and significance of the qualitative interview and arts-based research
2	Participatory knowledge production
3	Consideration of ethical issues and preparation of informed consent(s)
4	Setting the field: use „every-thing "
5	Interviewing skills
6	Guidelines for developing interview questions and interview protocol 1
7	Guidelines for developing interview questions and interview protocol 2
8	Midterm exam 1
9	Setting the field: use "every-one"
10	Narrative inquiry and autobiography
11	Setting the field: be "every-where"
12	A/r/tographic inquiry and ethnodrama
13	Photography and drawing research
14	Film and video-based research
15	Midterm exam 2