

Module Details	
Module Title:	Research in Practice
Module Code:	SOW5013-B
Academic Year:	2019-20
Credit Rating:	20
School:	School of Social Sciences
Subject Area:	Social Work
FHEQ Level:	FHEQ Level 5
Pre-requisites:	
Co-requisites:	

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	28
Seminar	5
Directed Study	167

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1 (Sep - Jan)

Module Aims
To equip students with knowledge and critical understanding of research design and how primary research is undertaken. To develop research-minded practitioners.

Outline Syllabus
What is research? Analysis, interpretation, reporting Descriptive statistics The nature and process of social research

Reflexivity
 Participatory research
 Ethics
 Being research-minded
 Research designs
 Qualitative methodologies
 Research and literature reviews
 The uses and abuses of research (limitations, selective reporting, the role of evidence)

Learning Outcomes

1	Evidence knowledge of the main methods of designing and undertaking a simple social care research project, and ability to evaluate critically the appropriateness of different approaches to undertaking research.
2	Understand and use simple descriptive statistics.
3	Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of research in practice.
4	Demonstrate knowledge and critical understanding of ethics in research.
5	Evidence an understanding of the limits of their knowledge, and how this influences analyses and interpretations based on that knowledge.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

This module will be delivered using lectures, seminars and small group work sessions. In 6 weeks, there will be a 3 hour lecture; in 5 weeks there will be a 2 hour lecture followed by a series of 1 hour seminars to prepare students for their assessments.

Unseen, three hour exam incorporating three sections: descriptive statistics, multiple choice and short answer questions.

Mode of Assessment

Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting
Summative	Examination - MCQ	Multiple choice quiz covering descriptive statistics, ethics, research methods and qualitative methodology	2 hours	60%
Summative	Examination - closed book	Short answer questions exam	1 hour	40%
Formative	Classroom test	Mock exam - Multiple choice quiz and short answer questions	3 hours	%

Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html>.

Please note:

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