

Subject card

Subject name and code	Strategy of Qualitative Research, PG_00195399						
Field of study	Special Pedagogy						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026	Academic year of realisation of subject			2028/2029		
Education level	uniform Master's studies	Subject group			Obligatory subject group in the field of study Subject group related to scientific research in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies	Mode of delivery			at the university		
Year of study	3	Language of instruction			Polish		
Semester of study	6	ECTS credits			2.0		
Learning profile	academic	Assessment form			exam		
Conducting unit	Division of Philosophy of Education and Culture Studies -> Institute of Education -> Faculty of Social Sciences -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Piotr Stańczyk				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	15		0.0		35.0	50
Subject objectives	To familiarize students with the theoretical foundations and methodological assumptions of the constructivist-interpretivist orientation and the research methods used in its field , ways of collecting, analyzing and presenting data.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	<p>[G.W.2] has an in-depth knowledge and understanding of the structure of the research process in the context of the adopted research strategy (quantitative, qualitative and mixed strategies), principles of developing a research project, stages of scientific research, criteria for selecting a research strategy, including research objectives, research problems and hypotheses, variables and relationships between variables, conceptualization, operationalization of variables; research sample selection strategies and techniques, defining a research case; types and types of scientific research, including descriptive, diagnostic, explanatory, verification, design, comparative, experimental, quasi-experimental and survey; methods of indexing, measurement and types of measurement scales; issues related to evaluation, panel, sociometric, comparative, field, ethnographic, performative and biographical research; concepts of netography, critical discourse analysis and case study; methods of data collection and analysis; types and ways of using observation; types of research interviews; document, content, textual, conversational, discourse and audiovisual analysis; research tools; issues related to the construction of questionnaires, measurement scales, pedagogical tests, observation sheets and sociometric tools;</p>	<p>He/she knows and understands the epistemological and paradigmatic differences between qualitative and quantitative social research strategies. Can accurately select a strategy for the research topic, research problem and research objective. Recognises and knows the specifics of different qualitative strategies (e.g. phenomenography, discourse analysis [in its different varieties], grounded theory, ethnography, biographical research). Can select a strategy to suit the research objectives, taking into account the feasibility.</p>	<p>[SW4] test/exam - oral or written</p>
	<p>[G.W.5] Knows and understands the various criteria of quality of scientific research, as well as issues of: representativeness, validity, reliability, credibility, transparency, authenticity, triangulation of theoretical perspectives, research methods and data sources, generalizability and transferability of research results</p>	<p>Knows and can apply the criteria for assessing the value of scientific work.</p>	<p>[SW4] test/exam - oral or written</p>
	<p>[G.W.3] Knows and understands the specificity of scientific research on children, adolescents and adults with disabilities</p>	<p>He/she understands the difficulties arising from the specificities of research on children and childhood, and on people with disabilities and impairments, with particular reference to the ethics of research work.</p>	<p>[SW4] test/exam - oral or written</p>
	<p>[G.U.3] Is able to apply methodological knowledge and skills in a research project; select a research strategy, formulate the aim and subject of the research, develop research methods and techniques, formulate the research problems, prepare research tools, select a research sample, area and determine the course of research;</p>	<p>Can prepare and describe a research project on a given research topic.</p>	<p>[SU4] test/exam - oral or written</p>

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Subject contents	<p>The main research orientations in the social sciences - theoretical assumptions and methodological foundations; the opposition of positivism and constructivism as a source of interpretive orientation.</p> <p>Structure of the research project - the nature of research problems vs. criteria for selecting qualitative research strategies. Basic features of qualitative research, the specifics of research sampling, defining the boundaries of the research case. The question of reliability and legitimacy of qualitative research.</p> <p>The main strategies of qualitative research - ethnographic, biographical and phenomenographic research, research in action, qualitative case study, Internet research. Types of data and methods of data collection - interviews and observation in qualitative research, document analysis/textual analysis/content analysis. Research tools in qualitative research.</p> <p>Implementation of research - essential stages of research, relations between researcher and research participants, ethics of research (including implementation of research with children and people with disabilities). Analysis and interpretation of the collected research material - ways of analyzing and presenting qualitative data.</p>						
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	The exam consists of an oral presentation of the results of a group research project carried out during exercises. Attention to the theoretical language, knowledge of the consequences of the methodological choices made and their justification, as well as the originality of the research idea and the literature review made as its justification are taken into account.						
Work placement	Not applicable						

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