

Course number		G-LAS15 80022 LE82					
Course title (and course title in English)		質的調査方法論 Qualitative Research Methods		Instructor's name, job title, and department of affiliation		Graduate School of Agriculture Associate Professor,Hart Nadav FEUER	
Group		Interdisciplinary Graduate Courses		Field(Classification)		Interdisciplinary Courses	
Language of instruction		English		Old group			
				Number of credits		2	
Number of weekly time blocks		1		Class style		Lecture (Face-to-face course)	
				Year/semesters		2026 • Second semester	
Days and periods		Wed.2		Target year		Graduate students	
				Eligible students		For all majors	
(Students of Graduate School of Agriculture cannot take this course as liberal arts and general education course. Please register the course with your department.)							
[Overview and purpose of the course]							
Students joining this course will encounter a range of qualitative research methods and learn how someone limited to one social science background (economics, sociology or other humanities) can potentially integrate these methods into their research and/or analysis. The first part of this intensive course is designed primarily for the early graduate students and those who have yet to conduct their primary research, as it provides guidance about the design, proposal and execution of qualitative research methods. The second part of the course is designed for students at all graduate levels, but can be especially timely for 2nd year students and later who are beginning their data analysis. It presents a range of methods and options for the analysis of qualitative data, regardless of which form it is in (interviews, archives, multimedia, etc.).							
[Course objectives]							
To survey a range of qualitative research and analytical methods in order for students to choose the tools that are best suited for the research they are preparing or analyzing, and to understand how to implement them.							
[Course schedule and contents)]							
Module 1: Research Methods for Data Collection and Data Management 1. Introduction: Your Progress/Experience amp Asking Research Questions 2. Meet-n-Greet with Life History amp What is a Case Study 3. The Fundamentals of Semi-structured Research Methods 4. Semi-structured: Protocol Design and Preparation 5. Semi-structured: Practical Day (Interviews) 6. Semi-structured: Practical Day (Focus groups) 7. Film Day: Michael Moore Film 8. Unconventional data sources and Creative methods 9. Field Notes, Data management (digitization, transcription, quantification) Module 2: Analytical Methods 10. Matching data to analytical methods 11. Mixed Methods Analysis Approaches amp Activity 12. Qualitative Content Analysis and Coding 13. Data Analysis Workshop Day 1							
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14. Data Analysis Workshop Day 2

15. Feedback session

[Course requirements]

English language ability sufficient to interact actively in class discussions and read average-level academic articles.

[Evaluation methods and policy]

Grading will be carried out on a basis of in-class participation in group and class activities[30%], one methods critique essay [35%], and reflection essay [35%].

[Textbooks]

Readings will be made available in PDF through LMS. All readings will be labeled depending on their importance: (a) Required, (b) Suggested, (c) Recommended, and (d) Optional.

[References, etc.]

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Other reference literature will be made available on LMS. They will be labeled "Reference", and are useful for students wishing to dig deeper into a specific method.

[Study outside of class (preparation and review)]

Basic reading / skimming of critical articles prior to each class is required. In addition, some homework doing "lite" analysis for practice will also be expected.

[Other information (office hours, etc.)]

Please email the lecturer for private appointments. For class activities, please email the TA.

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[Essential courses]