



Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (USEK)

Course Syllabus Doctoral College SP 2019-2020

Course Information		
Code: DOC814	Type: Course	Title: Research, Methods and Literature Review
Number of credits: 3		Number of contact hours per week: 3
Pre-requisites:		Co-requisites:
<p>Description: The main purpose of this course is to provide advanced comprehensive understanding of the diverse research methods used in the Social Sciences, and to convey the necessary practical skills required for their application. Students will gain an overview of research intent and design, methodology and technique for conducting meaningful inquiry and research.</p>		
Schedule Information		
CRN: 22416		Section: A01
Days/time class meets: February 6 th , 13 th , 20 th , 27 th and March 5 th , 12 th , 2020/ TH 07.46 to 10 PM		Location of class meets: CIRAME, D207
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Learning Outcomes		
<p>LO#1. Develop critical thinking and writing skills for the literature review LO#2. Demonstrate proficiency in the use of selected research methods and tools LO#3. Judge the usefulness of various research approaches techniques LO#4. Learn about the process of conducting the research and writing your thesis</p>		
Course Outline		
Week	Topics	
1	Fundamentals of Science	
2	Major Types of Social Research	
3	Meanings of Methodology	
4	Problematic, Research Question and Conceptual Framework	
5	Theory and Research	
6	The Literature Review	
7	Ethics in Social Research	
8	Strategies of Research Design	
9	Qualitative Measurement	
10	Quantitative Measurement	
11	Qualitative Sampling	
12	Quantitative Sampling	
13	Quantitative Data Collection and Analysis	
14	Qualitative Data Collection and Analysis	
15	Dissemination of Research	
Evaluation Criteria (Total = 100%)		
10%	Attendance and participation	
20%	Homework, project, research paper	
30%	Quizzes, Tests, Midterm	
40%	End of semester evaluation	

Required Texts	Méthodologie des Sciences Humaines, 3e ed., ERPI, Sylvain Giroux et Ginette Tremblay, 2009 Neuman, W. L. (2011). Social research methods: Qualitative and quantitative approaches (7/e). Pearson Education. Published by Allyn & Bacon.
Supplemental References	Bernard, H. R., & Bernard, H. R. (2012). Social research methods: Qualitative and quantitative approaches. Sage. Bryman, A., & Bell, E. (2015). Business research methods. Oxford University Press, USA.
Required Materials	http://ezproxy.usek.edu.lb/menu