

HEARD

Qualitative Methodology Training Workshop

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BACKGROUND: HEARD is offering this short course on approaches to doing qualitative research. This intensive course will introduce researchers to conceptual approaches to qualitative research, qualitative data collection methods, study designs, analysis models and paradigmatic points of departure for qualitative studies. The course will include both lectures and hands-on problem and analyses.

WHAT IS THE VALUE OF QUALITATIVE RESEARCH? Qualitative research is an approach used largely in the social sciences to explore social interactions, systems and processes. It can be used to evaluate the effectiveness of interventions and generate suggestions for improving interventions. Qualitative approaches to research also insights issues of researcher subjectivity and social ethics when doing potentially sensitive research.

A SHORT-COURSE FOCUSING PRIMARILY ON APPLIED SKILLS FOR RESEARCHERS: From our experience, applied researchers, new graduates from universities, government staff, and professionals often needing to undertake or evaluate research; they may not have the necessary skills and experience to inform these activities.

APPROACH: The workshop format will include theoretical lectures, practical workshops and seminars. Each day participants will learn and apply basic skills of qualitative research. Each participant will receive electronic copies of all course materials at the beginning of the course.

LENGTH: The course length is four days.

AUDIENCE: Researchers, program officers/management, M&E officers and Technical staff responsible for designing and implementing of programs for government, provincial, district and municipal departments, international NGOs; national NGOs. research and consulting firms and the private sector. Participation in the workshop is limited and a selection process will be followed.

SKILLS: By the end of the course, participants will be able to;

- navigate schools of thought that guide qualitative research
- use appropriate data collection strategies that has design coherence
- traverse social ethics associated with research.

FACILITATORS

1. Dr Gunilla Priebe

- Dr Priebe is a senior lecturer in the Department of Public Health and Community Medicine at the University of Gothenburg.
- Her research focuses on health promotion, health literacy and migration.
- Dr Priebe currently leads the Health Promotion Interventions for Refugees (HIRE) project, which focuses on health promotion for asylum seekers and immigrants in Sweden.

2. Dr Kay Govender

- Dr Govender is the Research Director at HEARD.
- He is a research methodologist by training and specializes in quantitative and qualitative research methods including, M&E approaches and discourse analysis.
- His research interests include the psychological, social and behavioural issues related to health behaviours among vulnerable populations.

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