

# GEO 56806 ADVANCED QUALITATIVE RESEARCH DESIGN & DATA COLLECTION

Wageningen University | 6 ECTS | Jan. 2021 (Period 3)

## What's this course about?

**Advanced Qualitative Research Design and Data Collection** (GEO 56806) offers PhD candidates and advanced master's students enrolled in the graduate programme:

- A fuller grasp of the analytical value of a range of qualitative methods relative to your own project's research questions and epistemological/theoretical positioning
- The knowledge required to identify different methods' particular logistical requirements and challenges
- The knowledge and skills for anticipating and responding to ethical issues posed by the use of specific methods
- The time and space to design a well-rounded strategy for data collection for your own research project aligned with your project's epistemological/theoretical framework

## Register

WUR PhD candidates:  
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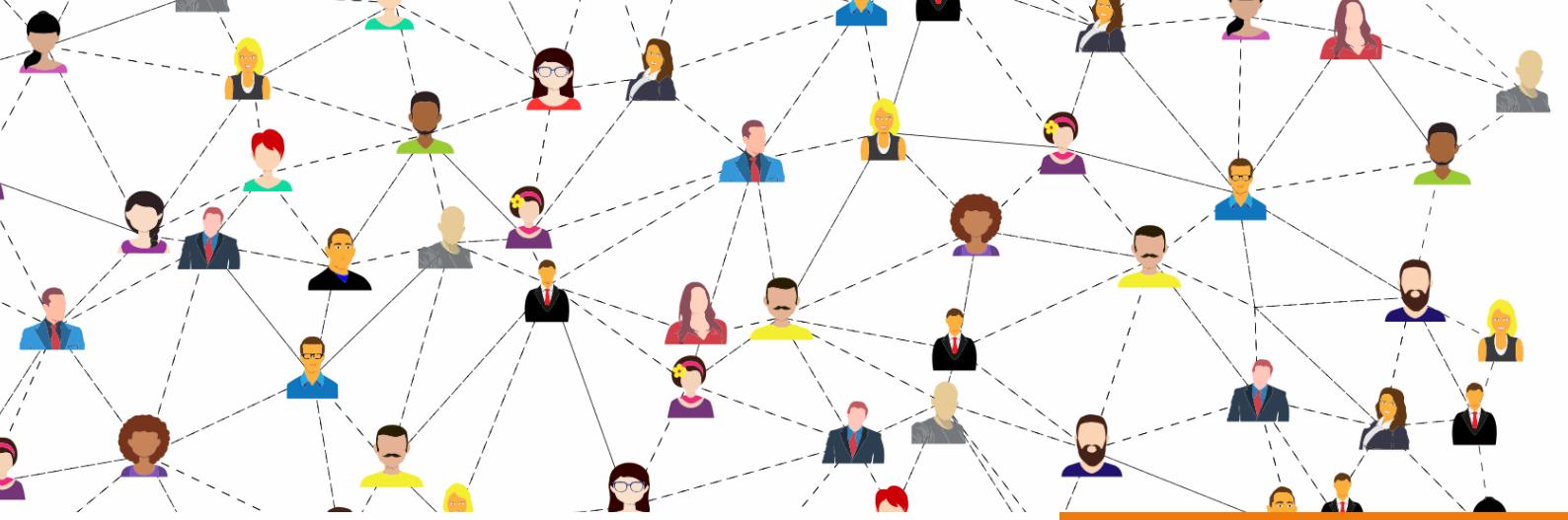
WUR Master's students:  
Register online as usual

## Schedule

Due to Covid-19, this course will run fully online. It spans 4 weeks (4th-25th January 2021), with sessions held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-12:00.

## More info

[www.wur.nl/en/activity/Advanced-Qualitative-Research-Design-and-Data-Collection-GEO-56806-6-ECTS.htm](http://www.wur.nl/en/activity/Advanced-Qualitative-Research-Design-and-Data-Collection-GEO-56806-6-ECTS.htm)



## What's the course structure?

This course comprises compulsory and free-choice sessions:

- **Compulsory sessions** in Weeks 1 & 4 enable students to critically investigate the values and forces underpinning their research projects, reflect on their researcher positionality and render their research project design more nuanced and robust.
- **Free choice sessions** in Weeks 2 & 3 cover a range of qualitative data collection methods and techniques (see list below). Students write their assignments based on (a minimum of) 4 free-choice sessions that best fit with the research they are undertaking or wish to undertake.

## What topics and methods are covered?

- Research as a formal system and the role of data in it (C)
- Researcher positionality and reflexivity (C)
- Ethnography and participant observation (FC 1)
- Data collection for discourse (FC 2)
- Interviewing (FC 3)
- Participatory and co-creation methods (FC 4)
- Revisiting ontology with actor-network approaches (FC 5)
- Visual research methods (FC 6)
- Using the other senses in data collection (FC 7)
- Connecting the course content to practice x 2 (C)

(C = Compulsory session; FC = Free choice session)



## Teaching team

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