APPENDIX

An Annotated Bibliography of Qualitative Research Methods Resources

This appendix includes a selected listing of recommended titles for learning more about qualitative inquiry. It is limited to English-language works and primarily monographs. We cannot possibly include everything in print and online; we provide only a representative sample of resources.

REFERENCE TEXTS FOR QUALITATIVE INQUIRY


QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE RESEARCH DESIGN (GENERAL TEXTBOOKS)


Mertens, D. M. (2015). Research and evaluation in education and psychology (4th ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. Introductory text that surveys various approaches to research but focuses more on the quantitative approach; compares various paradigms (emancipatory, feminist, etc.) and offers detailed guidelines for research design or evaluation of research.

### QUALITATIVE RESEARCH (GENERAL TEXTBOOKS)


Mason, J. (2002). *Qualitative researching* (2nd ed.). London: Sage. Overview of qualitative research based on ontological, epistemological, and methodological decision making; includes a series of questions to consider during all phases of research.


Morse, J. M. (2012). *Qualitative health research: Creating a new discipline*. Walnut Creek, CA: Left Coast Press. A rich and insightful primer on researching a disciplinary practice from one of its premiere methodologists; recommended reading for those not in health care.


Stake, R. E. (2010). *Qualitative research: Studying how things work*. New York: Guilford. Introduces global principles of qualitative inquiry, with a focus on interpretation and assertion development.

### MIXED METHODS RESEARCH


Morrison, K. (2009). *Causation in educational research*. London: Routledge. Superior overview of the intricacies and nuances of causation in both quantitative and qualitative research; recommended for researchers from all fields of study.


### METHODOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS/ HANDBOOKS OF QUALITATIVE RESEARCH


Lincoln, Y. S., & Denzin, N. K. (2003). *Turning points in qualitative research: Tying knots in a handkerchief*. Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira. Collection of seminal essays and articles in the field of qualitative research by writers such as Clifford Geertz, Margaret Mead, Dwight Conquergood, and others.


**SYMBOLIC INTERACTIONISM**


**ETHNOGRAPHY/ANTHROPOLOGY**


Brown, I. C. (1963). *Understanding other cultures*. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice Hall. A layperson’s introduction to anthropology; despite the early publication date, the book has a remarkable timelessness; surveys basic human constructs such as religion, arts, kinship, values, work, and so on.


Galman, S. C. (2007). *Shane, the lone ethnographer: A beginner's guide to ethnography*. Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira. Humorous cartoon drawing overview of a graduate student learning how to conduct an ethnography.


Norris, J., Sawyer, R. D., & Lund, D. (Eds.). (2012). *Duoethnography: Dialogic methods for social, health, and educational research*. Walnut Creek, CA: Left Coast Press. A collaborative methodology in which two or more researchers exchange perceptions of personal life histories to better understand a social phenomenon.


Wolcott, H. F. (2005). *The art of fieldwork* (2nd ed.). Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira. An overview of fundamental principles and sage advice on educational anthropology from one of the leaders in the field.

Wolcott, H. F. (2008). *Ethnography: A way of seeing* (2nd ed.). Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira. For those with some ethnographic background, a foundational text on the purposes and charges of ethnography; superior chapter (Chapter 11) on the concept of culture.

**GROUNDED THEORY**


**PHENOMENOLOGY**


**CASE STUDY RESEARCH**


**EVALUATION RESEARCH**


**AUTOETHNOGRAPHY**


**NARRATIVE INQUIRY**


DISCOURSE AND CONVERSATION ANALYSIS


Gee, J. P. (2014). *How to do discourse analysis: A toolkit* (2nd ed.). New York: Routledge. A series of questions and perspectives to consider when analyzing language in documented data and narratives; considers aspects such as grammar, vocabulary, intertextuality, identity, politics, and so on.


ARTS-BASED RESEARCH


Nisbet, R. (1976). Sociology as an art form. New York: Oxford University Press. Comparison of how the fine arts, humanities, and sociology have historic parallels in paradigm development and conceptual approaches; also addresses modern parallels in the goals and functions of both disciplines.

Norris, J. (2010). Playbuilding as qualitative research: A participatory arts-based approach. Walnut Creek, CA: Left Coast Press. Norris examines how playbuilding original devised work both employs and serves as a qualitative research modality/genre.


Saldaña, J. (2011). Ethnotheatre: Research from page to stage. Walnut Creek, CA: Left Coast Press. A playwriting textbook for ethnodramatic forms of research representation and presentation; includes extensive bibliographies of plays, articles, media, and texts.

**ACTION/PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH**


Hitchcock, G., & Hughes, D. (1995). Research and the teacher: A qualitative introduction to school-based research (2nd ed.). London: Routledge. General survey of how the teacher can also play the role of researcher in the classroom; examples tailored to the British school system, but the methods are universal.


### LONGITUDINAL/LIFE COURSE RESEARCH


Holstein, J. A., & Gubrium, J. F. (2000). *Constructing the life course* (2nd ed.). Dix Hills, NY: General Hall. Reconceptualizes for the reader how traditional life course constructs (cycles, development, stages, etc.) have been socially constructed and potentially misused for assessment in education and therapy.


### SOCIOLOGY (GENERAL TEXTBOOKS)


Cuzzort, R. P., & King, E. W. (2002). *Social thought into the twenty-first century* (6th ed.). Orlando, FL: Harcourt. An overview of the major works of 17 prominent social thinkers, such as Marx, Goffman, Freud, and Mead; each chapter profiles the writer’s prominent theories through everyday examples.


### PSYCHOLOGY AND QUALITATIVE RESEARCH


collection of qualitative methods for psychological research, therapy, and so on; good overview of some approaches commonly referenced in the area.


**COMMUNICATION AND QUALITATIVE RESEARCH**


**QUALITATIVE RESEARCH IN EDUCATION (GENERAL TEXTBOOKS)**


**RESEARCH WITH CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS**


QUALITATIVE DATA COLLECTION

Braun, V., Clarke, V., & Gray, D. (Eds.). (2017). Collecting qualitative data: A practical guide to textual, media and virtual techniques. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press. Outstanding collection of chapters on newer forms of data collection (social media, talk radio, blogs, e-mail interviews, instant messaging, etc.) for analysis.


INTERVIEWING


Janesick, V. J. (2010). Oral history for the qualitative researcher: Choreographing the story. New York: Guilford. Includes an overview of oral history documentation with multiple examples; includes references to many resources for learning more about the genre.


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**PARTICIPANT OBSERVATION**


Spradley, J. P. (1980). *Participant observation*. New York: Holt, Rinehart & Winston. Companion volume to Spradley’s *The Ethnographic Interview*; much is reiterated in this text, but the focus is on observation techniques.

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**ARTIFACTS, VISUAL AND MATERIAL CULTURE**


**QUALITATIVE DATA ANALYSIS**


Galman, S. C. (2013). *The good, the bad, and the data: Shane the lone ethnographer’s basic guide to qualitative data analysis*. Walnut Creek, CA: Left Coast Press. A comic-based overview of fundamental principles of analysis; a sequel to Galman’s *Shane, The Lone Ethnographer*.


Grbich, C. (2013). *Qualitative data analysis: An introduction* (2nd ed.). London: Sage. Not a “how to” guide but an introductory overview of the types of analysis (e.g., grounded theory, narrative analysis, content analysis) available to qualitative researchers.


Sullivan, P. (2012). *Qualitative data analysis using a dialogical approach*. London: Sage. Intriguing methods for qualitative data analysis, particularly for thematic and discourse analysis; first three chapters are heavy on theory but lay the foundation for Sullivan’s analytic methods in the remaining chapters.


Wheeldon, J., & Ahlberg, M. A. (2012). *Visualizing social science research: Maps, methods, and meaning*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. Overview of quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods research and how diagrams (e.g., concept maps and mind maps) can be employed during all phases of the research project.


**TECHNOLOGY AND CAQDAS (COMPUTER ASSISTED QUALITATIVE DATA ANALYSIS SOFTWARE)**


Gibbs, G. R. (2002). *Qualitative data analysis: Explorations with NVivo*. Berkshire, UK: Open University Press. The version of NVivo demonstrated in this book is outdated, but there is still an excellent overview of data-analytic strategies with the software.


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**DATA DISPLAY**


**THEORY DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATIONS**


### QUALITATIVE METASYNTHESIS


### WRITING QUALITATIVE RESEARCH


Goodall, H. L., Jr. (2008). *Writing qualitative inquiry: Self, stories, and academic life*. Walnut Creek, CA: Left Coast Press. Overview of writing and writing for the profession (journals, books, in the academy, etc.).
Higgs, J., Horsfall, D., & Grace, S. (Eds.). (2009). Writing qualitative research on practice. Rotterdam: Sense. Chapter collection of writing up research; includes excellent chapters on question development; argument construction; and genres (narrative inquiry, arts-based research, etc.).


van Maanen, J. (2011). Tales of the field (2nd ed.). Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Contemporary classic on structuring and writing ethnography in various story forms (realistic, confessional, impressionist, etc.).


**ONLINE RESOURCES**

*Forum: Qualitative Social Research* The multilingual (English, German, Spanish) peer-reviewed e-journal includes articles, interviews with leading figures in the field, commentary, and book reviews: qualitative-research.net/index.php/fqs

*Methodspace.* Hosted by Sage Publications; a community networking site for researchers from various social science disciplines; members can join interest groups such as Qualitative Inquiry, Narrative Research, and Performative Social Science: methodspace.com

*Pacific Standard.* A print and online publication of the Miller-McCune Center for Research, Media and Public Policy; includes articles ranging from health to culture, bringing research to a general readership: psmag.com

*ResearchTalk.* An organization that conducts intensive workshops and camps in the United States throughout the year on various topics in qualitative research: researchtalk.com

*Sage Research Methods.* An online subscription platform of Sage Publications that includes access to books and book chapters, videos, case study profiles, and downloadable data: methods.sagepub.com

*The Qualitative Report:* Hosted by Nova Southeastern University; an online journal with a weekly newsletter featuring recent publication links; the site also includes an extensive list of Internet addresses of other organizations devoted to qualitative research: nsuworks.nova.edu/tqr/