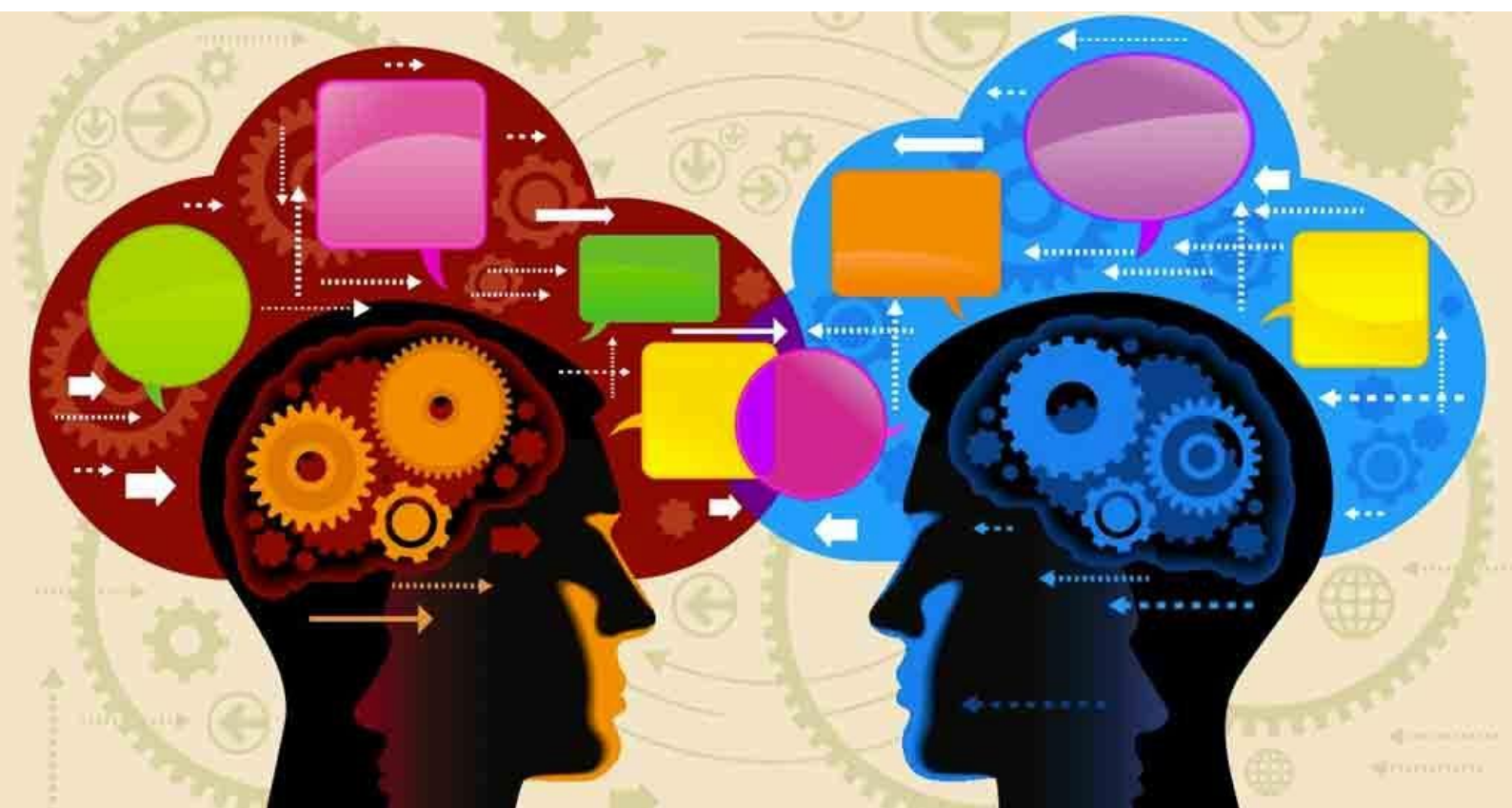


# 社會科學方法論

*Research Methods for Social Sciences*



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## 109(1) Course Syllabus National Chengchi University

Title	Research Methods for Social Sciences						
Prior	None						
Professor	Don-yun Chen, donc@nccu.edu.tw; 29393091 ext.51145						
Level	IMAS	Credits	3	Weekly Hr.	3	Cell Phone Use	Yes
Content	One Semester, Tuesday 1:00~4:00 pm, Room: TBA						
Type	Required						
Course Goal & Requirements	To do research in social sciences is very different from in nature sciences. As a result, students in social sciences needs to learn from others to improve their research ability and skills. A good research is not only important, but interesting and valid as well. Student needs to build up their “insights” of doing good research by learning from others’ works as well as doing it by their own. In this course, students will have following three goals to reach to. First, students can learn the research basics, for example, what is a theory? How to operationalize a concept? Second, students can know the difference and ways of doing both quantitative and qualitative methods. Third, students can learn to read, write a social science research paper and critic others at the same time.						
Methods	Lecturing, Presentation & Critics, Homework Assignment 1-5						
Grades	Homework (40%) 、Mini Reports (20 %) 、Final (30%) 、Class (10%)						
Reader	1. Babbie, Earl, 14 <sup>th</sup> ed. (2016) The Practice of Social Research. Cengage Learning. 2. Other articles in Pdf on Moodle.						
Week	<b>Course Content</b>						
1	(9/15) Human Inquiry and Ethics (Chap. 1, 3)						
2	(9/22) Theory Building, Reading & Writing (Chap. 2, 17)						
3	(9/29) Research Design (Chap. 4) – <i>Homework Assignment #1</i>						
4	(10/6) Conceptualization, Operationalization, and Measurement (Chap. 5)						
5	(10/13) Indexes, Scales, and Typologies (Chap. 6)						
6	(10/20) The Logic of Sampling (Chap. 7) – <i>Homework Assignment #2</i>						
7	(10/27) <b>Mini Report I Presentation: Research Question Navigation</b>						
8	(11/3) Survey Research (Chap. 8)						
9	(11/10) Quantitative Data Analysis (Chap. 14) – <i>Homework Assignment #3</i>						
10	(11/17) Qualitative Field Research (Chap. 10)						
11	(11/24) Qualitative Data Analysis (Chap. 13) – <i>Homework Assignment #4</i>						
12	(12/1) Experiment (Chap. 8)						
13	(12/8) Unobstrusive Research (Chap. 11)						
14	(12/15) Evaluation Research (Chap. 12)						
15	(12/22) <b>Mini Report II Presentation: Research Method Evaluation</b>						
16	(12/29) Individual Consulting Time (arranged only)						
17	(1/5) <b>Final Presentation (1)</b> – <i>Homework Assignment #5</i>						
18	(1/12) <b>Final Presentation (2)</b> – <i>Homework Assignment #5</i>						