

# QUALITATIVE STUDIES CERTIFICATE

The Graduate Certificate in Qualitative Studies (GCQS) is for any graduate student interested in conducting methodologically sound, rigorous, evidence-based qualitative research. You will learn a variety of techniques from faculty members across campus and be able to tailor the focus of your studies towards your research and career goals.

## Course Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Courses</b>		
EDUC 830	Qualitative Research Methods I: Philosophical Foundations of Qualitative Research	3
EDUC 868	Qualitative Research II: Data Collection	3
EDUC 869	Qualitative Research III: Data Analysis	3
<b>Electives</b>		
A total of 6 credit hours are required. Choose from the electives list below. <sup>1</sup>		6
<b>Minimum Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> For any courses not listed below, please contact your program director to request approval.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Pre-Approved Electives</b>		
EDUC 878	Seminar in Educational Studies <sup>2</sup>	3
EDUC 883	Case Study Methods	3
EDUC 905	Leading Organizations to Equitable Practice	3
EDUC 922	Mixed Methods Research	3
EDUC 977	Autoethnography Educational Research	3
AAAD 790	Black Feminist Ethnography	3
ANTH 808	Researching and Writing Lives	3
ANTH 809	Ethnographic Methods	3
ANTH 860	Art of Ethnography	3
ANTH 897	Seminar in Selected Topics (Ethnographic Research Design)	3
ANTH 898	Seminar in Selected Topics	1-4
COMM 841	Performance Ethnography	3
FOLK 841	Performance Ethnography	3
HBEH 754	Advanced Qualitative Research Methods in Health Behavior and Health Research	3
NURS 979	Qualitative Analysis	3
PUBH 724	Migration and Health	2
SOCI 720	Participant Observation and In-Depth Interviewing	3

<sup>2</sup> Please note that this is a special topics course and is approved for certificate requirement completion when the course topic is qualitative research topics.

In addition to completing course work, students are required to participate in at least one of the following culminating activities to complete all requirements for the Certificate. Culminating activities are sponsored by the Interpretive Research Suite and Carter Qualitative Thought Lab (QuaLab). Culminative activity options include:

- a research-oriented activity related to the I-SEEC Change project (Innovative Studies for Engaging Educational Community Change), the overarching signature research project of the QuaLab;
- a teaching-oriented activity during which students would develop mastery of specific software and then teach that software in workshops, within courses and/or to small groups;
- a service-oriented activity where students would contribute to the online repository of teaching ideas, practices, units, exercises, etc. of qualitative research methods maintained by the QuaLab;
- and a methodology-oriented workshop, which will offer both theoretical and applied elements to support others' understanding of a particular approach to qualitative research. The workshop will be recorded and offered as a resource to the graduate certificate's qualitative community.

Students will also have the opportunity to attend any guest lectures, workshops, and discussion groups facilitated by the QuaLab (attendance is not required, but highly encouraged).

## Non-Course Certificate Requirements

- QuaLab Culminative Activity Requirements