

The Qual Clinic: A workshop on Qualitative Methods and Research Design

9 September, 10 am – 12.30 pm, University of Kent.

Sponsored by the PSA Qualitative Research Methods Specialist Group (QRSG)

The PSA Qualitative Research Methods Specialist Group (QRSG) would like to invite you to its first Qual Clinic scheduled for the morning of 9 September 2016 at the University of Kent. This workshop is aimed at all researchers who would like to learn more about qualitative research and have questions about their qualitative research designs and methods. The workshop will run immediately before the Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties conference which begins on the afternoon of 9th September.

The first session of the workshop will be an interactive, hands-on collaboration to give researchers ‘a feel’ for handling qualitative data. The second session aims at creating a space for discussing questions about doing qualitative research. It will encourage all participants to think creatively and collaborate to devise solutions to their qualitative research problems.

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Session 1: ‘Data dive’ into the Qualitative Election Study of Britain (focus group transcripts)

Session 2: The Qual Clinic: Collaborative solutions for qualitative research design and methods

Registration for workshop: By 15 August 2016.

Only 35 spaces available and will be allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Cost of participation: Free for QRSG members; £30 for non-members.

Accommodation: 10 single en-suite rooms available for overnight accommodation on 8th September @£49.50 per room.

Please email Dr Thom Oliver (thom.oliver@uwe.ac.uk) to register for workshop, book accommodation, or join the QRSG.

PSA Qualitative Research Methods Specialist Group (QRSG)

The purpose of the group is to facilitate cross-disciplinary and cross-sector collaborations between those who create and use qualitative data and those who provide infrastructure, tools, resources and training for these purposes. We also aim to promote qualitative data management, creation, and re-use across the social sciences.

The annual membership fees for the group:

PSA Members £20

PSA Members Students £10

Non-PSA Members £30

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Benefits of paid membership to the QRSG:

- membership of multidisciplinary and multi-sector group
- access to a list of qualitative journals with updated impact factor and other scores
- be part of database of qualitative reviewers for journal editors to draw on

- JISC mailing list of members to create a supportive community of qualitative and mixed methods users within and outside academia
- access to any research conducted on behalf of the group
- discounted participation fees at Specialist Group conference and workshops