

Preliminary Syllabus: Mixed Methods

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QUANTITATIVE METHODS

S1 Causation, Experiments, and the Fundamental Problem of Causal Inference 08-09-2016

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Extensions and Applications:

Olken, B. A. 2007. "Monitoring corruption: Evidence from a field experiment in Indonesia." *Journal of Political Economy* 115(2): 200-249.

Petersen, M., Slothuus, R., Stubager, R., & Togeby, L. (2011). Deservingness versus values in public opinion on welfare: The automaticity of the deservingness heuristic. *European Journal of Political Research*, 50(1), 24–52.

Bailenson, J. N., Garland, P., Iyengar, S., & Yee, N. (2014). as a Political Cue : Facial Similarity Transformed A Preliminary. *Political Psychology*, 27(3), 373–385.

S2 Quasi-Experimental Designs 15-09-2016

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Dunning, T. (2007). Improving causal inference: Strengths and limitations of natural experiments. *Political Research Quarterly*.

Extensions and Applications:

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Acemoglu, D., Johnson, S., & Robinson, J. A. (2000). *The colonial origins of comparative development: An empirical investigation* (No. w7771). National bureau of economic research.

Frey, B. S., & Meier, S. (2003). Are political economists selfish and indoctrinated? Evidence from a natural experiment. *Economic Inquiry*, 41(3), 448-462.

S3 Regression I: Bivariate and Multivariate Statistics

22-09-2016

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Extensions and Applications:

Kumlin, S. (2005). Making and Breaking Social Capital: The Impact of Welfare-State Institutions. *Comparative Political Studies*, 38(4), 339–365.

Rehm, P. (2009). Risks and Redistribution: An Individual-Level Analysis. *Comparative Political Studies*, 42(7), 855–881.

S4 Regression II: Logit Models, Interaction Terms and Extensions

29-09-2016

Brambor, T., Clark, W. R., & Golder, M. (2006). Understanding Interaction Models: Improving Empirical Analyses. *Political Analysis*, 14, 63–82.

Peng, C.-Y. J., Lee, K. L., & Ingersoll, G. M. (2002). An Introduction to Logistic Regression Analysis and Reporting. *The Journal of Educational Research*, 96(1), 3–14.

Extensions and Applications:

Wulfgramm, M. (2014). Life satisfaction effects of unemployment in Europe: The moderating influence of labour market policy. *Journal of European Social Policy*, 24(3), 258–272.

Singer, M. M. (2012). What goes around comes around: Perceived vulnerable employment and economic voting in developing countries. *European Journal of Political Research*, 52(2), 143–163.

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S5 The goals of case studies

6-10-2016

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Levy, J. S. 2008. "Case Studies: Types, Designs, and Logics of Inference." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 25 (1):1-18.

S6 Case selection

13-10-2016

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Extensions and Applications:

Mahoney, J. and G. Goertz (2004). "The Possibility Principle: Choosing Negative Cases in Comparative Research." *American Political Science Review* 98(4): 653-669.

Gisselquist, R. M. (2008). "Democratic Transition and Democratic Survival in Benin." *Democratization* 15(4): 789-814.

Sharman, J. C. (2015). War, selection, and micro-states: Economic and sociological perspectives on the international system. *European Journal of International Relations*, 21(1), 194-214.

Fall Break

20-10-2016

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S7 Triangulation and Nested Models

26-10-2016 (Room U66)

Alasuutari, P., Bickman, L. & Brannen, J. (2008). Synergy and synthesis: integrating qualitative and quantitative data. In Alasuutari, P., Bickman, L. & Brannen, J. *The SAGE handbook of social research methods* (pp. 555-571). London, : SAGE Publications

Lieberman, E. S. (2005). Nested Analysis as a Mixed-Method Strategy for Comparative Research. *American Political Science Review*, 99(3), 435–452.

Extensions and Applications:

Erickson, J. L. (2013). Market imperative meets normative power: Human rights and European arms transfer policy. *European Journal of International Relations*, 19(2), 209–234.

Fink, S. (2008). Politics as Usual or Bringing Religion Back In?: The Influence of Parties, Institutions, Economic Interests, and Religion on Embryo Research Laws. *Comparative Political Studies*, 41(12), 1631–1656.

QUALITATIVE METHODS II

S8 Process tracing and causal mechanisms

2-11-2016(Room U66)

George, A. L., & Bennett, A. (2005). Case Studies and Theory Development in the Social Sciences. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press. Chapter 10

Waldner, David. 2012. "Process Tracing and Causal Mechanisms." In *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Social Science*, edited by Harold Kincaid, 65-84. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Extensions and Applications:

Ziblatt, D. (2004). "Rethinking the Origins of Federalism. Puzzle, Theory, and Evidence from Nineteenth-Century Europe." *World Politics* 57(1): 70-98.

S9 Process tracing

10-11-2016

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Bennett, Andrew, and Jeffrey T. Checkel. 2014. "Process Tracing: From Philosophical Roots to Best Practices." In *Process Tracing in the Social Sciences: From Metaphor to Analytic Tool*, edited by Andrew Bennett and Jeffrey T. Checkel, 3-37. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. <http://summit.sfu.ca/item/14884>

S10 Data: Qualitative interviewing and archival research

17-11-2016

Leech, B.L. 2002. "Asking Questions: Techniques for Semistructured Interviews." *PS: Political Science & Politics* 35 (4):665-668.

Rathbun, B. C. (2008). *Interviewing and Qualitative Field Methods: Pragmatism and Practicalities. The Oxford Handbook of Political Methodology*. J. M. Box-Steffensmeier, H. E. Brady and D. Collier. Oxford, Oxford University Press: 685-701. E-book

Thies, C. (2002). A Pragmatic Guide to Qualitative Historical Analysis in the Study of International Relations. *International Studies Perspectives*, 3(3), 351-372.

Extensions and Applications:

Rubin, H. J. and I. S. Rubin (2011). *Qualitative Interviewing: The Art of Hearing Data*. London, New York, Sage Publications.

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S11 Discussion of Midterm

24-11-2016

S12 Sampling and Representativeness

1-12-2016

Freedman, D. (2004). Sampling. In M. S. Lewis-Beck, A. Bryman & T. F. Liao (Eds.), *The SAGE encyclopedia of social science research methods* (Vol. 3, pp. 986-990). Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications Ltd.

Alasuutari, P., Bickman, L. & Brannen, J. (2008). Re-conceptualizing generalization: old issues in a new frame. In Alasuutari, P., Bickman, L. & Brannen, J. *The SAGE handbook of social research methods* (pp. 193-213). London, : SAGE Publications Ltd

Extensions and Applications:

Druckman, J. N., & Kam, C. D. (2009). Students as experimental participants: A defense of the narrow data base'. Available at SSRN 1498843.

Election 2015: How the opinion polls got it wrong - BBC News [[Link](#)]

Mayer, W. (2003). Forecasting presidential nominations or, my model worked just fine, thank you. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 36(2), 153–157.

S13 Measurement, Concepts, and Operationalization

8-12-2016

Mueller, C. (2004). Conceptualization, operationalization, and measurement. In M. S. Lewis-Beck, A. Bryman & T. F. Liao (Eds.), *The SAGE encyclopedia of social science research methods* (Vol. 3, pp. 162-165). Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications Ltd.

Alasuutari, P., Bickman, L. & Brannen, J. (2008). Modern measurement in the social sciences. In Alasuutari, P., Bickman, L. & Brannen, J. *The SAGE handbook of social research methods* (pp. 268-289). London, : SAGE Publications Ltd

Adcock, R., & Collier, D. (2001). Measurement Validity: A Shared Standard for Qualitative and Quantitative Research. *American Political Science Review*, 95(3), 529–546.

Extensions and Applications:

Paxton, P. (2000). Women's suffrage in the measurement of democracy: Problems of operationalization. *Studies in Comparative International Development*, 35(3), 92–111.

Munck, G. L., & Verkuilen, J. (2002). Conceptualizing and Measuring Democracy: Evaluating Alternative Indices. *Comparative Political Studies*, 35(1), 5–34.

Mansbridge, J. (2003). Rethinking representation. *The American Political Science Review*, 97(4), 515–528.

S14 Quantitative and Qualitative Methods: A Tale of Two Cultures?

15-12-2016

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Kuehn, D. and I. Rohlfing (forthcoming). "Are there really two cultures? A pilot study on the application of qualitative and quantitative methods in political science." *European Journal of Political Research*.