## Department of Public Health Institute of Social & Cultural Studies Faculty of Behavioral & Social Sciences University of the Punjab, Lahore

#### **Course Outline**

| Programme           | BS Workplace Health & Safety Promotion | Course<br>Code | WHSP 310 | Credit<br>Hours | 3 |
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| <b>Course Title</b> | Qualitative Research Methods           |                |          |                 |   |
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# **WHSP 310- Qualitative Research Methods**

# **Course Learning Outcomes:**

- i. To understand the philosophical, ethical, and political issues involved in the practice of social science within public health.
- ii. Leaning qualitative social research in public health.
- iii. Acquiring the strategies and techniques needed to conduct qualitative research on human behavior.

#### **Course Contents**

i. Philosophical basis of qualitative research applied to health settings

## Major assumptions in qualitative research:

- ii. Subjectivism
- iii. Interpretivism
- iv. Social constructionism

## The role of theory in the research process

v. Inductive vs. deductive research

# Major qualitative methodologies

- vi. Ethnography Method
- vii. Narrative Method
- viii. Phenomenological Method
- ix. Grounded Theory Method
- x. Case Study

#### Introduction to data collection methods

- xi. Observation and its types
- xii. Qualitative interviews with individuals in the arena of health care
- xiii. The principles and practice of ethnography
- xiv. Focus groups methods

xv. Documents analysis

# **Approaching analysis**

xvi. Narrative analysis and thematic analysis

xvii. Research ethics in qualitative research

xviii. Introduction to NVivo.

### **Recommended Readings:**

- 1. Awan, J.A. (2015). Scientific Presentations. Unitech Communications, Faisalabad, Mason, Jannifer. (2018). Qualitative Researching (2nd ed.). United States: Sage Publisher.
- 2. Yin, Robert. (2015). Qualitative Research from Start to Finish (2nd ed.). New York: Guilford Press.
- 3. Flick, UWE. (2014. An introduction to Qualitative Research (5th ed.). Sage Publisher.
- 4. Priscilla, Uli., Elizabeth, Robinson., & Elizabeth, Tolley. (2005). Qualitative Methods in Public Health: A Field Guide for Applied Research. Jossey Bass Publisher.
- 5. Ritchie, Jane & Lewis, Jane. (2003). Qualitative research practice: A guide for social science students and researchers. London, Thousand Oaks, New Delhi: Sage Publication
- 6. Fischman, MW. (2000). "Informed consent." In: BD Sales & S Folkman (Eds.), Ethics in research with human participants. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association. pp. 35-48
- 7. Folkman, S. (2000). "Privacy and confidentiality." In: BD Sales & S Folkman (Eds.), Ethics in research with human participants. Washington, DC: American Psychological