New Elective to be offered Fall Term 2011

QRGP 6308 Writing Qualitative Research

Course Description:

Students will learn how to write up their qualitative research inquiries from the earliest steps of their studies through the manuscript submission process using writing and representational styles consistent with their research design and purpose. To this end, students will produce their own original qualitative research papers that incorporate the basic elements of qualitative research reports and best practices for communicating their methodological choices and research findings in transparent and coherent prose. Students will also learn how to evaluate the quality of their compositions and revise their drafts via the use of rubrics and manuscript checklists. Course students should be actively conducting a qualitative research inquiry or have a completed qualitative research study to participate in the course.

Learning Objectives:

Students completing the course will be able to:

- Identify the major elements of a qualitative research report
- Apply best practices for communicating qualitative research methodologies and results
- Compose a qualitative research paper
- Select a writing style and authorial voice consistent with their research design and purpose
- Revise their qualitative research papers based upon editorial feedback
- Evaluate their compositions via the use of rubrics and manuscript checklists
- Compose all elements of their qualitative research paper in compliance with the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (APA, 2010)