

科目名	担当教員	学期	単位
Research Design	久保 慶一	前期	2

講義概要

This course will examine some key issues related to the "research design" to help graduate students design (and successfully conduct) their own research. Among the issues examined in this course are:

What are the criteria for "scientific" research
 What is the "originality" of the research
 What is a "good" research question, and how to find/formulate it
 How to conduct a literature review, and what is the purpose of it
 How to construct a theory and/or hypothesis
 Pros and Cons of the large-n and small-n research: which method(s) to choose, and how to justify the choice methodologically
 The logic of comparison - how to select and compare the cases

All graduate students are expected to participate fully in the discussion. There will be an opportunity for the students to present their own research ideas. This course will be instructed in English.

シラバス

- [第1回] Course Set-up and Introduction
- [第2回] Research Interest and Research Question
- [第3回] The "Science" in Political Science
- [第4回] "Originality" and the Literature Review
- [第5回] Constructing a Theory
- [第6回] Constructing Hypotheses
- [第7回] Choice of Method (1): large-n research
- [第8回] Choice of Method (2): small-n research
- [第9回] Choice of Method (3): some alternatives
- [第10回] Logic of Comparison (1)
- [第11回] Logic of Comparison (2)
- [第12回] Student Presentations (1)
- [第13回] Student Presentations (2)
- [第14回] Student Presentations (3)
- [第15回] Conclusion

教科書

There is no textbook for this course. The necessary materials will be provided by the instructor.

参考文献

See the detailed syllabus for the further readings, which will be distributed in the first class.

評価方法

Regular attendance, active participation in the discussion, quality of the presentation and the term paper submitted at the end of the course will form the basis for evaluation.

関連URL

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