

## School of Education: Research Methodology Support Sessions 2024-25

### Year One PhD: Semester One

	Time	Session Title	Content	Host	Date (Friday)	Venue
<b>Session 1</b>	3 – 8	The PhD Octopus or is it possibly a Squid?	Welcome to the messy world of the PhD. . .	Andrew Loxley	20 <sup>th</sup> September	4053
		A Critical Introduction to Educational and Social Science Research	Introduction to types & purposes of educational research – process & products			
<b>Session 2</b>	4-8	Navigating the Aha to Zed of Research Design	Introduction to the different elements which make up a research design	Andrew Loxley	18 <sup>th</sup> October	3105
<b>Session 3</b>	4 – 8	The Literature Review Process for Doctoral Studies & Some thoughts critical	Accessing & Searching the Literature	Tom Farrelly & Andrew & Geraldine Fitzgerald	8 <sup>th</sup> November	Online
<b>Session 4</b>	4 – 8	Reflexivity & Research	The process of constructing reflexively 'inclined' research designs	Andrew	6 <sup>th</sup> December	3105

### Year One PhD: Semester Two

	Time	Session Title	Content	Host	Date	Venue
<b>Session 5</b>	4-6	Traditions, Paradigms and Other Inconvenient Fictions	Overview of the 'ologies and the usual traditions: positivism, Marxism, feminism, critical realism, critical theory etc.	Aidan Seery	17 <sup>th</sup> January	3106
	6 - 8	The Ethics of Research	The role of ethics in doctoral research	Aidan Seery		
<b>Session 6</b>	4 - 8	Approaches to Educational Research: Visual Studies	Using images in research work – a quick look	Andrew	7 <sup>th</sup> February	3105
<b>Session 7</b>	4 - 8	Approaches to Educational Research: Narrative, Autoethnography, Ethnography	An introduction to some of the non-numerical and interpretivist forms of research	Andrew & Aidan	14 <sup>th</sup> March	3105
<b>Session 8</b>	4 - 6	Approaches to Educational Research: Designing Case Studies & Experimental Designs	The case study as a mode of research, and experimental approaches to research	Andrew L	11th April	3105
	6 - 8	Ontology and Research	A return to the land of ontology	Andrew G		
<b>Session 9</b>	4 - 8	The Grand Student Poster Session	Show & Tell: A chance to see what you've all been getting up to!	Andrew L + Andrew G	16 <sup>th</sup> May	3105