SC 210: Methods of Social Research (Spring, 2009)
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:30-11:45 a.m
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**Required text:**

**Assignments and Requirements:**
Midterm Exam (25%); Final Exam (25%); Exercises (50%)

- #1 Foibles of Inquiry
- #2 Conceptualization
- #3 Question-Writing
- #4 Surveying
- #5 Interviewing

**COURSE CALENDAR**
Please have readings and assignments completed by the dates shown.

**January 15, 2009:** Introduction

**January 20, 2009:** Social Science Inquiry – Hand Out Paper #1
Gray et al., Chapters 1 and 2

**January 22, 2009:** Research Design
Gray et al., Chapter 3

**January 27, 2009:** Conceptualization - Paper #1 is Due
Gray et al., Chapter 4

**January 29, 2009:** Operationalization – Hand Out Paper #2

**February 3, 2009:** Measurement -

**February 5-10, 2009:** Questions and Questionnaires – Paper #2 is Due on 2/10,
Gray et al. pp. 130-138 Hand Out Paper #3

**February 12, 2009:** Sampling
Gray et al., Chapter 6

**February 17-19, 2009:** Surveys
Gray et al., Chapter 7
February 24-26, 2009: Interviewing – Paper #3 is Due on 2/24 - Hand Out Mid-term on 2/26
  Gray et al., Chapter 8

VACATION

March 10, 2009: Quantitative Analysis
  Gray et al., Chapter 18

March 12, 2009: Causality - Take-Home Mid-Term is Due – Hand Out Paper #4

March 17, 2009: Explanation

March 19-24, 2009: Indexes and Scales
  Gray et al., Chapter 17

March 26, 31 – April 2, 2009: Ethnographic Field Research – Paper #4 is Due on 3/31
  Gray et al., Chapter 9

April 7, 2009: Experimentation - Hand Out Paper #5
  Gray et al., Chapter 12

VACATION

April 14, 2009: Content Analysis
  Gray et al., Chapter 13

April 16, 2009: Evaluation Research – Paper #5 is Due
  Gray et al., Chapter 16

April 21-23, 2009: Feminist Research Methods, Black Feminist Epistemology
  Gray et al., Chapter 10

April 28, 2009: Social Context for Research
  Gray et al., Epilog


Final Exam Due: Wednesday May 6, 2009 at 12 noon in Prof. Gray’s mailbox, 426 McGuinn.