Introduction to Interpretive (-Qualitative) Methodologies and Methods
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READING LIST

Reading materials
Primary texts
Course readings will be drawn from the following books, supplemented with additional articles or book chapters as indicated in the syllabus. A list of additional readings follows the daily schedule.

Leonard Schatzman and Anselm L. Strauss, Field research. NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1973. [a slightly more traditional rendering; SS in syllabus]


Background reading
Although this is designed as an introductory course, if these ideas are completely new to you, you might want to do some preliminary reading:

Agar, Michael. 2013. The lively science: Remodeling human social research. Minneapolis, MN: Mill City Press. [the most engaging and readable work I know on this topic; online edition available]

Jackson, Patrick Thaddeus. 2011. The conduct of inquiry in international relations: Philosophy of science and its implications for the study of world politics. NY: Routledge. [more formal than Agar, yet still readable; widely applicable beyond IR]

Cerwonka, Allaine and Malkki, Liisa H. 2007. Improvising theory. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. [for those planning to or advising students who do field research; correspondence between a political science phd student just starting her field research (Cerwonka) in a department not known for that kind of research and the anthropologist on her committee (Malkki), with reflective commentary from both.]
FYI: Listserves that deal with interpretive research methods

http://listserv.cddc.vt.edu/mailman/listinfo/interpretationandmethods
[international; created by a group in US political science, including IR and other fields; not heavy traffic—used for announcements and the occasional interesting question]

http://community.apsanet.org/communities/viewcommunities/groupdetails/?CommunityKey=2d63fe2c-d008-4f65-9e26-99781fb0b047
[APSA Connect page [you need not be a member of APSA to subscribe, unless they have changed the rules since this started]

http://www.qualitative-research.net/fqs/fqs-e/rubriken-e.htm
[FQS is an open access journal, so all articles are available online free of cost; good archive.
See http://qualitative-research.net/fqs/boai-e.html for some short information about open access.]

http://www.uofaweb.ualberta.ca/iigm/index.cfm
[International Institute of Qualitative Methodology, at the U of Alberta, Canada, based in the Nursing School; this is a fantastic resource, dealing with issues much broader than nursing per se; they have an e-newsletter that you can subscribe to from this site]

QMMR [Qualitative and MultiMethod Research] Newsletter
[from the APSA Qualitative Methods section; newsletters are available to non-members after 1 year at https://www.maxwell.syr.edu/moynihan/cqrm/Newsletters/]
For further reading
(selected; there are many, many more for each of these categories)

A. Theoretical/methodological/conceptual
Murphy, Jerome T. 1980. Getting the facts. Santa Monica: Goodyear. (out of print, but excellent for a short book)
Van Maanen, John, Sørensen, Jesper B., and Mitchell, Terence R. 2007. ‘The interplay between theory and method.’
Yanow, Dvora. 2003. Interpretive empirical political science: What makes this not a subfield of qualitative methods.
    Qualitative Methods Newsletter 1/2 (Fall): 9-13.
    www.maxwell.syr.edu/uploadedFiles/moynihan/cqrm/Newsletter1.2.pdf).

B. Empirical interpretive research


**Noteworthy for their use of multiple (and unusual) kinds of ‘documentary’ data:**


**C. On writing, representation, and truth claims:**


Schwartz-Shea, Peregrine and Yanow, Dvora. 2012. Design in context: From the human side of research to writing research manuscripts (ch. 7); Speaking across epistemic communities (ch. 8). In *Interpretive research design: Concepts and processes*. New York: Routledge.


**D. Interpretive histories**

Davis, Natalie Zemon. *The Return of Martin Guerre* (also a movie!)


E. Visual methods (selected; there are many more)

