

Course Unit	Research Methodology in Education			Field of study	General Education		
Bachelor in	Basic Education			School	School of Education		
Academic Year	2022/2023	Year of study	1	Level	1-1	ECTS credits	4.0
Туре	Semestral	Semester	1	Code	9853-531-1103-00-22		
Workload (hours)	108	Contact hours	T - TP	36 PL - T	c - s -	E - OT	9 0 -
T - Lectures; TP - Lectures and problem-solving; PL - Problem-solving, project or laboratory; TC - Fieldwork; S - Seminar; E - Placement; OT - Tutorial; O - Other							
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Learning outcomes and competences

- At the end of the course unit the learner is expected to be able to:

 1. Acquiring methodological concepts of instrumentation, collection, analysis and interpretation of data in studies supported a qualitative, quantitative and mixed approach;
 2. Perform processing data from investigations of a qualitative and a quantitative nature;
 3. Decide on the research planning, design and direction regarding a particular problem;
 4. Present results and conclusions from an investigation.

Prerequisites

Before the course unit the learner is expected to be able to: Not applicable.

Course contents

1. Research in education. 2. Planning and design of a research in education. 3. Qualitative research. 4. Quantitative research.

Course contents (extended version)

- 1. Research in education
- The importance of research in education
 Ethical issues in research
 Qualitative, quantitative and mixed research: techniques of data collection
 Planning and design of a research in education
 Construction and discussion of research projects in education

- Introduction

- Research design
 Literature review and bibliography
 Executing the research design
 Results and conclusions of the investigation
- Reflections, limitations and suggestion for future research
- How to write a scientific work 3. Qualitative research

 - Qualitative data
 - Research guestions
- Content analysis: Unit of analysis and categories
 Processing and interpretation of qualitative data
 Quantitative research
 Quantitative data
- - Research hypotheses
 Samples and their characterization
 - Processing and interpretation of quantitative data

Recommended reading

- Bardin, L. (2014). Análise de conteúdo (4. ª Ed.). Edições 70.
 Estrela, A. (2015). Teoria e prática de observação de classes. Uma estratégia de formação de professores. Porto Editora.
 Flick, U. (2013). Métodos qualitativos na investigação científica. Monitor.
 Reis, F. L. (2018). Investigação científica e trabalhos académicos: Guia prático. Edições Sílabo.
 Vilelas, J. (2017). Investigação: O processo de construção do conhecimento (2. ª Ed.). Edições Sílabo. Lda.

Teaching and learning methods

Content exploration using, for example, explanation processes, writing reports or researching work. Discussion of themes in small or large groups. Individual or group work. Resolution of tasks of different type and nature.

Assessment methods

- Continuous assessment (Regular, Student Worker) (Final)
 Intermediate Written Test 70% (Written summative test)
 Work Discussion 30% (Implementation and discussion of de proposed tasks, individual or group works.)
 Exam evaluation (Regular, Student Worker) (Supplementary, Special)
 Final Written Exam 100%

Language of instruction

- 2. Portuguese, with additional English support for foreign students.

Electronic validation

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