

# 7<sup>th</sup> SPINE Summer School 2021

## Qualitative research for nursing and healthcare: designing quality

Online, August 16-19, 2021

The value of qualitative research in the advancement of nursing practice, healthcare, health services and policy is no longer debatable. Qualitative scientists have made significant contributions in providing valuable insights into the ways we conceptualize health, illness, patients' experiences, interprofessional collaboration, and other aspects of care delivery. There are multiple well-recognized and commonly used qualitative methods and methodologies, including narrative interviews, participant observation, and grounded theory, to name a few. Although these methods are well described in textbooks, the quality criteria and procedures involved in conceptualizing, designing, and conducting qualitative research and how these are critically interlinked and theoretically informed are, however, not always explicit.

The **2021 SPINE Summer School** will bring international scholars and PhD students together to address theoretical issues and methodological processes to ensure quality and rigor in qualitative research. Participants will also have the opportunity to discuss how these processes can apply to their own research project. The Summer School 2021 is virtual and offers a mix of online lectures on key challenges for qualitative projects, active group work led by senior researchers from different fields, formative feedbacks from peers and experienced researchers to foster interaction and critical thinking.

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### Organisers

SPINE is an educational platform for doctoral students working towards a PhD in Nursing Science at the Universities of Lausanne and Basel. SPINE provides educational courses and Summer schools for doctoral students in nursing and other health-related disciplines, along with other events, such as the Doctoral Research Day.

### SPINE Directors

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### Learning objectives:

By the end of this course, participants will be able:

- To reflect on the research processes related to the conceptualization of a qualitative study
- To critically appraise quality criteria to design qualitative research.
- To formulate the links between the researcher's epistemology, theoretical framework and qualitative methods.
- To present a draft qualitative research protocol

The 2021 Summer School is a 4-day intensive course including lectures and group work, followed by optional personal guidance on participants' individual projects (26 August, 2 and 16 September, 14h-16h). The course will be taught in English.

Registration Deadline is July 30<sup>th</sup> 2021

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### Keynote



**Prof. Sylvie Gendron**  
Vice-dean, Graduate studies  
Faculté des sciences  
infirmières, Université de  
Montréal, Québec, CANADA  
Professor Gendron is a nurse  
and holds a PhD in public  
health. She has been teaching  
qualitative research methods to graduate students  
for more than 25 years. She enjoys exploring social  
theories with her graduate students as they engage  
in their doctoral research to advance nursing and  
health promotion science and practice.



**Prof. Patrick Lavoie**  
Patrick Lavoie is an assistant  
professor in the Faculty of  
Nursing at the Université de  
Montréal and a researcher at  
the Montreal Heart Institute.  
His research focuses on critical  
care education.  
Methodologically, he specializes in evaluation and  
measurement, mixed-methods, and knowledge  
synthesis.

### Invited speakers



**Prof. Melanie Lavoie-  
Tremblay**  
Dr Melanie Lavoie-Tremblay is  
an Associate Professor at the  
Ingram School of Nursing,  
McGill University, Montreal,  
Canada. She is researcher at  
the Mental Health Research Institute, University of  
Montreal and the Research Institute McGill  
University Healthcare Centre. Drawing on a  
background in nursing and occupational health,  
Melanie is leading participatory research in health  
care organizations.



**Dr Sandra Staudacher**  
Dr. Sandra Staudacher, PhD, is  
a medical anthropologist and  
lawyer with expertise in social  
and cultural aspects of aging,  
health and care. She holds a  
postdoctoral position at the  
Institute of Nursing Science  
(INS), Department of Public Health at the Faculty of  
Medicine, University of Basel where she is  
responsible for the qualitative research education.  
She is interested in person-centered care, quality of  
life and interprofessional approaches in long-term  
care.

## Faculty



**Professor Antje Horsch**  
Prof. Horsch is an experienced clinical psychologist with particular expertise in trauma, stress, and mental health. She was a lecturer at the University of Oxford (UK) and is now Associate Professor at the Institute of Higher Education and Research in Healthcare (IUFRS), University of Lausanne. Prof. Horsch has conducted and supervised qualitative research and is currently responsible for the qualitative research methods modules taught as part of the MScSI.



### Dr Nils Graber

Dr Nils Graber holds a PhD in social sciences and health. His researchers are related to innovation in oncology, chronicity, and global health. As a post-doctoral fellow, he joined the project on the "Development of Personalized Health in Switzerland" at the University of Lausanne. In 2021, he started working on the "Patient and healthcare provider experience in adoptive cell therapies: an experience-based co-design study" project at the Institute of Higher Education and Research in Healthcare (IUFRS).



### Dr Sara Colomer Lahiguera

Sara is a nurse and holds a Master in clinical laboratory and a Master in biomedicine as well as a PhD in Biomedicine from the Pompeu Fabra University (Barcelona). In 2017, she joined the Institute of Higher Education and Research in Healthcare at the University of Lausanne and the Lausanne University Hospital (CHUV) where she is a former Marie Sklodowska-Curie Fellow currently leading a study to better understand the experience, needs, and symptoms of cancer patients on immunotherapy.

## Course Schedule 16.-19.08.2021

Day 1: Monday, 16 August 2021		
Time	Activity description	Speakers/Participants
10h-10h30	Welcome and introduction to the course: Overview of the learning goals, course schedule and learning methods	Anne-Sylvie Ramelet Michael Simon
10h30-12h	Participants presentation Icebreaker activity and group constitution	Participants
	Lunch Break	
14h-15h Montréal : 8h-9h	Keynote lecture: Qualitative research for nursing and healthcare: designing quality	Sylvie Gendron
15h-15h15 Montréal : 9h-9h15	Coffee break	
15h15-16h15 Montréal : 9h15-10h15	Meet the expert: Conversation on conceptualizing a qualitative research topic	Sylvie Gendron Sandra Staudacher
16h15-16h45 16h45-17h Montréal : 10h15-11h	All participants networking Instructions for next day	Participants & tutors Sylvie Gendron et Anne-Sylvie Ramelet

Day 2: Tuesday, 17 August 2021		
Time	Activity description	Speakers/Participants
8h – 10h Montréal : <u>16.08.21</u> 12-14h (participants presentation)	Guided personal work	Participants
10h-12h Montréal : <u>16.08.21</u> 14h-16h	Welcome note Critical group work (with tutors): <i>Weaving quality into a qualitative research project for nursing/health practice</i>	Anne-Sylvie Ramelet Sandra Staudacher Sara Colomer Nils Graber Antje Horsch Joachim Rapin : Montreal group
12h-14h Montréal : 6h-8h	Lunch break	
14h-14h45 Montréal : 8h-8h45	Brief group presentations	Participants
14h45-15h30 Montréal : 8h45-9h30	<b>Lecture:</b> Quality criteria and procedures: methods for critical thinking	Mélanie Lavoie-Tremblay
15h30-15h45 Montréal : 9h30-9h45	Coffee break	
15h45-16h30	<b>Meet the expert:</b>	Sylvie Gendron

Montréal : 9h45-10h30	Conversation about sampling, data collection and analyses: quality as method and theory	Mélanie Lavoie-Tremblay
16h45-17h Montréal : 10h45-11h	Conclusion	Sylvie Gendron

### Day 3: Wednesday, 18 August 2021

Time	Activity description	Speakers/Participants
8h – 10h Montréal : <u>17.08.21</u> 12-14h	Guided personal work	Participants
10h-12h Montréal : <u>17.08.21</u> 14-16h	Welcome note Critical group work (with tutors): <i>Sampling, data collection and analyses: forecasting and resolving quality</i>	Anne-Sylvie Ramelet Sara Colomer Nils Graber Antje Horsch Joachim Rapin : Montreal group
12h-13h30	Lunch break	
13h30-14h30 Montréal : 7h30-8h30	Brief group presentation	Participants
14h30-14h45 Montréal : 8h30-8h45	Coffee break	
14h45-16h45	Illustrative case presentations (3x20'+10 min questions)	Sara Colomer Sandra Staudacher

Montréal : 8h45-10h45		Patrick Lavoie
16h45-17h00 Montréal : 10h45-11h	Instructions for next day	Anne-Sylvie Ramelet

Day 4: Thursday, 19 August 2021		
Time	Activity description	Speakers/Participants
8h – 10h Montréal : <u>18.08.21</u> 12-14h	Guided personal work	
10h-12h Montréal : <u>18.08.21</u> 14-16h	Summing up: group work	Tutors and participants
12h-14h	Lunch break	
14h-15h Montréal: 8h-9h	Group presentations (20') and guidance feedback	Tutors and participants
15h-15h15 Montréal: 9h-9h15	Coffee break	
15h15-16h Montréal: 9h15-10h	Group presentations and guidance feedback	Tutors and participants



16h-17h Montréal: 10h-11h	Summer school: debriefing synthesis	Panel participants
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Optional Guidance Sessions with Sylvie Gendron*	Zoom link
26 August 14h-16h 2 September 14h-16h 16 September 14h-16h *For Canadian students: <i>Date and time to be confirmed</i>	<a href="https://umontreal.zoom.us/j/95133602984?pwd=T1p6UjJsUTVQS3V2VDBaSFJCSW5Ldz09">https://umontreal.zoom.us/j/95133602984?pwd=T1p6UjJsUTVQS3V2VDBaSFJCSW5Ldz09</a>

## Preparation work

Readings will be provided for each day

## Dates

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2021

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Optional guidance on 26 August, 2 and 16 September

## Venue

Online via zoom link (will be sent to participants when registered)

## Schedule Time

Please see program

## Commitment and Credits

6 hours of lecture/ seminar per day

3 hours preparation per day

**2 ECTS**

## Target Group and Eligibility

Doctoral students and post-doctoral fellows, faculty members and researchers from Nursing Science and healthcare disciplines. Participants should have successfully completed graduate level courses in qualitative research methodology and be familiar with health research concepts.

## Registration – Deadline July 30<sup>th</sup> 2021

- Please register via this [link](#)
- Recent CV (2 pages max)
- Copy of higher degree or letter from PhD supervisor

## Course Fees\*

- PhD students affiliated with SPINE (INS, UNIL) and PPHS: Free
- PhD students not affiliated with SPINE or PPHS\*\*:  
CHF 720
- Post-doctoral fellows: CHF 720

- INS- and UNIL Alumni: CHF 720
- Other participants: CHF 1'120 + CHF 350 for the personal optional guidance

\*The course fee includes course materials. Registration is conditional upon full payment of fees.

\*\*To qualify for the PhD fee, applicants not affiliated with SPINE are required to submit a letter from their supervisor stating their actual position as a doctoral student or postdoctoral fellow.

For students from **McGill & UdeM universities**, scholarships are available. Please contact [joachim.rapin@umontreal.ca](mailto:joachim.rapin@umontreal.ca)

## Payment

Through invoice

Payment of fees is due within 3 weeks of notification of acceptance and should be received at the latest by August 13<sup>th</sup> 2021.

## Terms, Conditions, and Cancellation Policy

- Seating is limited to 40 participants. All participants must commit to attending the full 4-day course. Applicants are selected on a first come first serve basis. Only complete applications are considered. Notification of acceptance will be emailed within 2 weeks of the closing date.
- In case of cancellation, a written notification must be sent. A service fee of CHF 50 will be charged. Refund will no longer be possible after July 18<sup>th</sup> 2021.
- The organization reserves the right to make minor program modifications, decline applications, or cancel the course in case of insufficient registrations at the closing date.

## Contacts and Questions

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