Course number: 1624  
Room: 2B.11, Richard-Strauß-Str. 2  
Time: 12.15-13.45  
The course starts on 14th October.

Reading List

Please note the following:

• As you can see, the mandatory readings include most of the chapters of my book on case study methodology that is forthcoming at Palgrave Macmillan. I think and hope that I am able to draw together what is covered in the major texts listed under the mandatory or additional readings. The chapters are drafts and I am eager to get any comments you have so as to improve my book.
• You will find all mandatory readings in the course platform in ILIAS before the course starts.
• For some texts, the relevant pages are a subset of the whole publication. So do not be confused when an article/book section is longer than is written here.
• In case you are interested in one of the topics, the texts listed under ‘further readings’ are suggestions that should help you in digging deeper into the field.
• Texts are ordered chronologically, which generally is the best order to read them. When the order is not chronological, I recommend that you follow the suggested order.
• The empirical examples that you find in some sections (e.g., “Concept formation in practice”) are not mandatory readings. They are just examples for how some issues were handled in practice. The fact that they are mentioned here does not necessarily mean that these are cases of best practice. I will refer to some of these texts in more detail in class and distinguish good from bad practices.

Week 1: Structure of the course and introduction

Compulsory:

I. Formulating concepts and hypotheses

Week 2: Concept formation and populations

Compulsory:

Further readings:

For those interested in the details of measurement:

Concepts and measurement in practice:

**Week 3: Ways to see the world: Types of causal relationships**

**Compulsory:**

**Further readings:**
II. Types of designs and case selection

Week 4: Types of cases & case selection I

Compulsory:
Rohlfing, Ingo: Types of Case Studies and Case Selection. Chapter 4 of monograph Methodologies of Case Studies.

Further readings on types of cases:

Week 5: Types of cases & case selection II

Compulsory:
Rohlfing, Ingo: Types of Case Studies and Case Selection. Chapter 4 of monograph Methodologies of Case Studies.

Further readings on case selection:

Case selection in practice:


**III. Cross-case and within-case analysis**

**Week 6: Cross-case comparisons I**

**Compulsory:**

**Further readings:**

**Cross-case comparisons in practice:**

**Week 7: Cross-case comparisons II**

**Compulsory:**
Rohlfing, Ingo: Cross-case comparisons II. Chapter 5 of monograph *Methodologies of Case Studies*.

**Further readings:**
Week 8: Within-case analysis: Methodology

Compulsory:

Further readings:


Week 9: Within-case analysis: Practice

Compulsory:

Further readings:


Within-case analysis in practice:

IV. From evidence to inference

Week 10: Internal validity: Explaining the cases

Compulsory:

Further readings:

Week 11: External validity

Compulsory:

Further readings:
V. Comparative Historical Methodology and mixed-methods designs

Week 12: It’s special, isn’t it? Comparative Historical Analysis (CHA) & Comparative Historical Methodology

Compulsory:

Further readings:

CHA in practice:
Skocpol, Theda (1979): States and Social Revolutions. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Week 13: Enriching case studies I: Case studies & Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA)

Compulsory:

Further readings on QCA:

QCA in practice:

Week 14: Enriching case studies II: Case studies & regression analysis

Compulsory:
Further readings:

Regression and case studies in practice:

**Week 15: Final session: The place of the case study in the methodological toolbox**