**Intended Learning Outcomes:**

- Experiential approach to developing research skills, data analysis, quantitative and qualitative methodologies
- Simulated research experience of working within a research team
- Understanding of the link between research question and appropriate method - either quantitative, qualitative or a combination of both
- Conceptual development of the theoretical assumptions underpinning research methodologies from constructivist position through interaction within the simulation.
- Ability to select and design a methodology appropriate to their chosen dissertation focus.
- Ability to use a statistical package (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences) to collate, analyse and present statistical research data.
- The confidence and ability to use ICT as a means of interaction with research colleagues; for communication, sharing documents, co-construction of conceptual analysis of data, co-construction of knowledge