

Session 7: 18th March

A Project Proposal

Learning Outcome

- Demonstrate the generation of ideas through the use of research and research methodologies to locate, review and evaluate research findings relevant to care and well-being, across a range of disciplines.

Assessment

- 20 minute oral seminar presentation – Tuesday - May 7th Turnitin Submission is required.

Next year's Independent Project

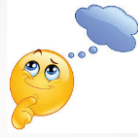
- This is an independent study that allows the student a choice of topic/theme for investigation.
- It does **not** involve primary data collection.
- The objective is an in-depth **critical** exploration of the area for investigation demonstrating theoretical and empirical awareness.

- You will undertake a literature-based study.
- The ultimate goal of the study is the development of a **critical** skill and an ability to communicate a sound understanding of an aspect of the research process.

Assignment 2

Proposal Format

- Title
- Key words
- Background context
- The research question
- Method
- References



Thinking of a project!

Select a topic

- start with an idea in which you are interested.
- What do you want to know about?
- By this point you are beginning to identify areas of interest?

First findings and evaluation

Test your topic ideas with the resources that are available to you.

- are you finding relevant information?
- are you finding appropriate information?
- mega hits - too much information? too little? no hits?
- is your topic too broad or too narrow?

You may need to narrow or broaden, generate other search terms, or rethink your topic.

Huge tip

- Don't try to be too ambitious
- Don't try to be too specialist
- Broad and contemporary – the literature will decide

Some topics people have chosen

- School based Counselling
- Counselling in Prisons
- Counselling men/gender/sexuality/race/disability'
- Depression/men, women/children/efficacy of modality
- Comparison of the modalities – caution!
- Creative therapies – caution!
- Addictions
- A critique of Counselling
- Counselling and trauma
- The medical model in mental health
