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💎 ABOUT ME

Hello, everyone! My name is Diamond Williams; I am a second-year double-majoring in Criminal Justice and Writing & Rhetoric.

Welcome to the eighth installment of **Diamond's Hidden Gems**, a blog series in which I introduce you to the University of Central Florida's library services that you may not have known about!

Sage Research Methods

Nearly everyone at UCF is involved in research, from students learning how to conduct research for the first time to faculty conducting research for publication. There are many programs and resources that motivate students to participate, from the Student Scholar Symposium to the Undergraduate Research Fellowship.

SAGE Research Methods supports research at all levels by providing material to guide users through every step of the research process. Read on to learn more about what this resources can do for you, and how to access it!

FOCUS ON THE RESEARCH

SAGE Research Methods is the essential online tool for researchers; it is the ultimate methods library designed to guide users to the content they need to learn about their method.
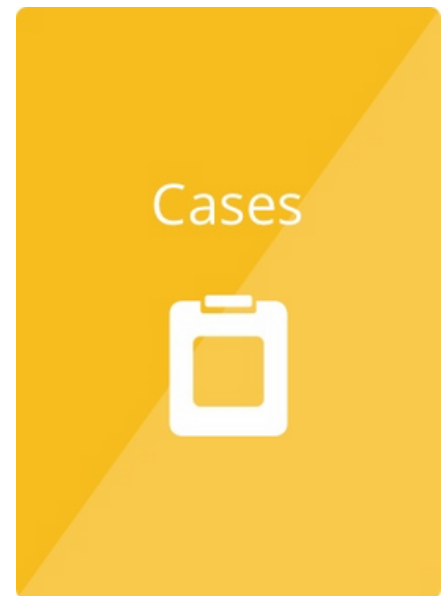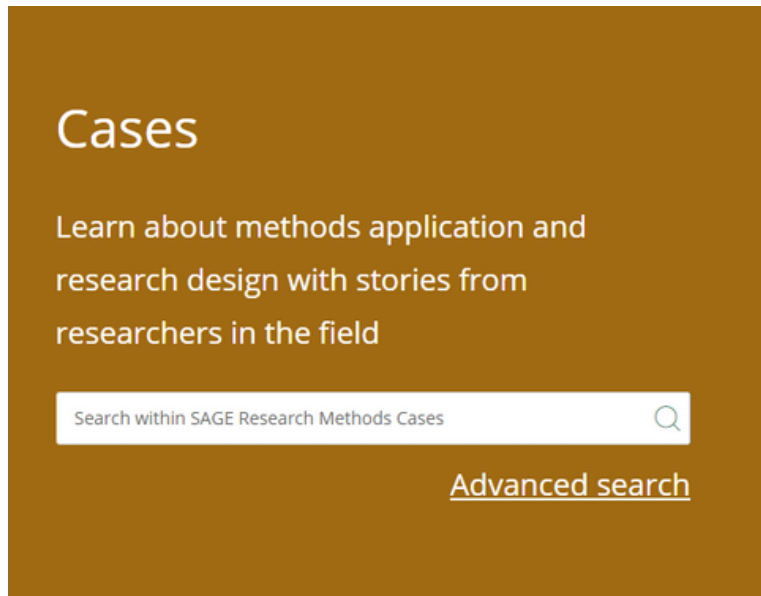
The core database provides materials that focus on the research process and design, including eBooks, articles, videos, podcasts, and more. All of the content is relevant to the exploration of research methods and concepts, helping users design methodologies, understand particular methods, identify a new method, conduct their research, and write up findings.

The database has 4 main research method tools:
- Methods Map
  - A visualization that helps those less familiar with research methods find the best technique to use in their research
- Project Planner
  - A step-by-step guide to completing your research project
- Which Stats Test
  - An examination in which you answer a handful of multiple-choice questions to see which statistical method is best for your date
- Reading Lists
  - A space in which you can create lists of your favorite content for your reference or to share

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SAGE Research Methods Cases

SAGE Research Methods _Cases_ are stories of how real research projects were conducted.

The collection provides more than 1100 case studies written by the researchers themselves. They explain why they chose the methods they did, how they overcame problems and what they might have done differently. The _Cases_ come with tools like learning objectives and discussions questions.

By being exposed to and reviewing the realities of research, you can learn more about the process and adjust to what is expected of you.

SAGE Research Methods Datasets

SAGE Research Methods *Datasets* is a collection of instruction guides that give you a chance to learn data analysis by practicing it yourself.

Each title provides sample data in addition to a how-to guide that explains the method at hand and walks users through the analysis. Several examples cover how to manage imperfect data, including missing data, rescaling variables, and other common data cleaning scenarios.

The decisions researchers make when analyzing data may seem very confusing; through practicing analysis using real data, we can see how analytic decisions are made, helping the user become a confident researcher.

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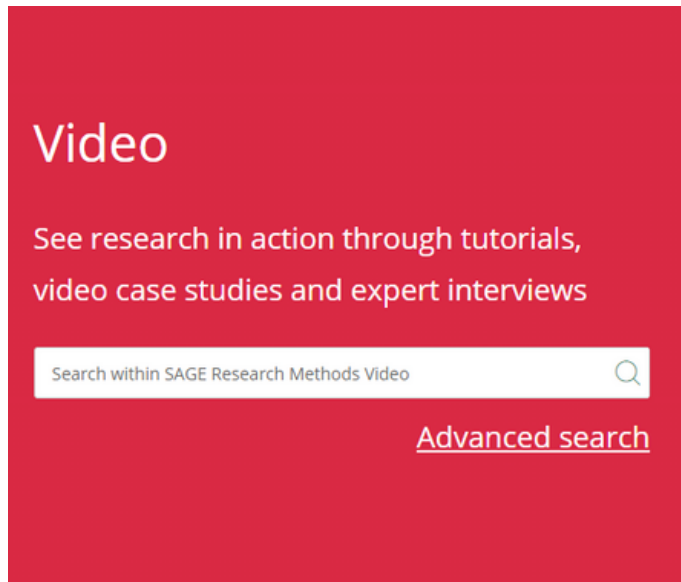Master quantitative and qualitative data analysis with step-by-step guides and sample data

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SAGE Research Methods Video

SAGE Research Methods *Video* contains more than 125 hours of video, including tutorials, case study videos, expert interviews, and more, covering the entire research methods and statistics curriculum.

The videos can help to bring methods to life: instead of reading about how to conduct a focus group, students can watch one in action. This is especially helpful for individuals who learn or retain information most effectively through visual and auditory means.

Through these videos, students can find extra help and support to guide them through every step of their research project and succeed in their research methods course.

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Thank you for reading!

SAGE Research Methods is an organized, and effective resource that acknowledges and mitigates an issue often left ignored: an unfamiliarity with physically conducting research. By making use of their database; watching videos, reading cases, and practicing data analysis; you can learn more about the reality of research and conduct your own more efficiently.

If you're interested in learning more, some of the research librarians have posted guides about how to use SAGE Research Methods in the course of doing research in specific disciplines. You can access that here: https://guides.ucf.edu/srch.php?q=sage+research+methods

SAGE also offers some user guides for getting started. You can access that here: https://methods.sagepub.com/help

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