



PhD Course (block course)

## Mixed methods in health care research

9+16+30 October 2026

9h00 - 16h00, Esplanade 36, room 4030/31

**Course Instructors:** PD Dr. phil. Christine Blome

**Course Value:** 2 SWS = 5 Credit Points

**Course Language:** English

**Software:** n/a

**Prerequisites/Literature:** n/a

**Assessment/Student evaluation:** Active participation; presentation of a study design outline using mixed-methods on October 30 (group or single presentation, depending on number of participants). Grading for students of University of Hamburg will be pass/fail.

**Registration:** **Please register via STiNE.** For all organizational matters please contact e-mail [grk-hche.bwl@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:grk-hche.bwl@uni-hamburg.de). Places will be allocated in order of received registrations.

**Course Overview:** This course will provide an introduction to Mixed Methods in health care research.

### SYLLABUS

- **Day 1 = 9Oct2026: Foundations of Mixed Methods Research in Healthcare**

Morning session (3 hours)

- Introduction to Mixed Methods Research (MMR)
- Introduction to Qualitative Research
- Qualitative data collection methods in MMR: interviews, focus groups, observations, and document analysis
- Overview of research designs: Sequential explanatory, sequential exploratory, and convergent designs
- The role and importance of MMR in healthcare research

#### Afternoon session (3 hours)

- Designing research questions and hypotheses in MMR
- Integration of qualitative and quantitative data collection
- Practical exercises on formulating research questions and selecting an appropriate MMR design

### • **Day 2 = 16Oct2026: Data Collection and Analysis in Mixed Methods Research**

#### Morning session (3 hours)

- Introduction to qualitative data analysis
- Strategies for integrating and mixing data
- Software tools for qualitative data analysis

#### Afternoon session (3 hours)

- Group activities on data analysis and integration
- Group discussion and feedback
- Preparation for student presentations

### • **Day 3 = 30Oct2026: Student presentations: applications of MMR**

#### Morning session (3 hours)

- Student presentations: potential research projects and applications of MMR in participants' specific areas of interest
- Group discussion and feedback on presentations

#### Afternoon session (3 hours)

- Student presentations (continued)
- Group discussion and feedback on presentations
- Wrap-up, course summary, and closing remarks