The Department of General Practice offers short courses in various aspects of research methodology and capacity for health professionals, students, academics and others. These courses are taught by highly experienced researchers from the Department, and provide the opportunity to gain valuable skills in research including recruitment, interviewing, analysis and dissemination that can be applied in a range of healthcare settings.

INTRODUCTION TO QUALITATIVE RESEARCH INTERVIEWS
25 - 26 March 2015
This two-day intensive course is designed for researchers undertaking qualitative interview studies. It will provide an overview of the principles and practices of qualitative research interviewing. The course will cover in-depth, semi-structured, and telephone structured interviews.

SURVEY DESIGN
13 May 2015
This one-day intensive course will help participants develop skills in survey design for research and evaluation projects. It includes an introduction to question design, scale validation, survey administration, and maximising response rates, as well as a special section on online survey methodologies. The course has a practical focus, encouraging participants to apply skills learnt to their own projects.

METHODOLOGICAL AND ETHICAL CHALLENGES RESEARCHING GENDERED ABUSE AND VIOLENCE
15 July 2015
This one-day course will explore issues surrounding mixed methods research on sensitive issues of abuse including domestic violence, child abuse and dating violence. Using examples and interactive small group work, participants will expand their skills to enable them to undertake quality research in this difficult area.

CREST: CULTURAL RESPECT ENCOMPASSING SIMULATION TRAINING
7 August 2015
This half-day course will provide an opportunity to workshop a range of frameworks for communication with Indigenous and CALD simulated patients, practise using communication tools and participate in exercises with simulated patients.

For further information or to register your interest go to www.gp.unimelb.edu.au/shortcourse
IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE: TRANSLATING EVIDENCE INTO PRACTICE  
20 - 21 August 2015  
This two-day hands on workshop using case studies and examples brought by participants will be supplemented by presentations and small group work. Course content will cover essential knowledge for designing, implementing and evaluating successful interventions.

INTRODUCTION TO QUALITATIVE RESEARCH INTERVIEWS  
3 - 4 September 2015  
This two-day intensive course is designed for researchers undertaking qualitative interview studies. It will provide an overview of the principles and practices of qualitative research interviewing. The course will cover in-depth, semi-structured, and telephone structured interviews. This course is a repeat of the one held in March 2015.

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL MEDIA, WEB-BASED INTERVENTIONS AND NEW TECHNOLOGY IN PARTICIPATORY HEALTH  
This one-day workshop aims to demystify social media, demonstrate how social media can be effectively used in clinical practice, discuss interventions to use as part of clinical treatment, and discuss the risks, barriers and motivations involved in technology for participatory health.

BEYOND ACCESS: ADDRESSING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH INEQUITY THROUGH PRIMARY HEALTH SERVICES: TOOLS AND STRATEGIES FOR POLICY, PRACTICE AND RESEARCH  
This one-day course will explore the issues facing practitioners and researchers in addressing the social determinants of the health of the individuals and communities with whom they work. Presentations and workshops will draw on research with socially disadvantaged groups and communities.

Dates for the following short courses are yet to be confirmed >>

COST  
Full $385 (incl GST) per day  
Special Concession* $330 (incl GST) per day  
Students* $165 (incl GST) per day  
* Special concession rates will apply to research active VicReN members and staff from University of Melbourne 2014/2015 teaching practices.  
* A letter of verification from your supervisor regarding your student status is required

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