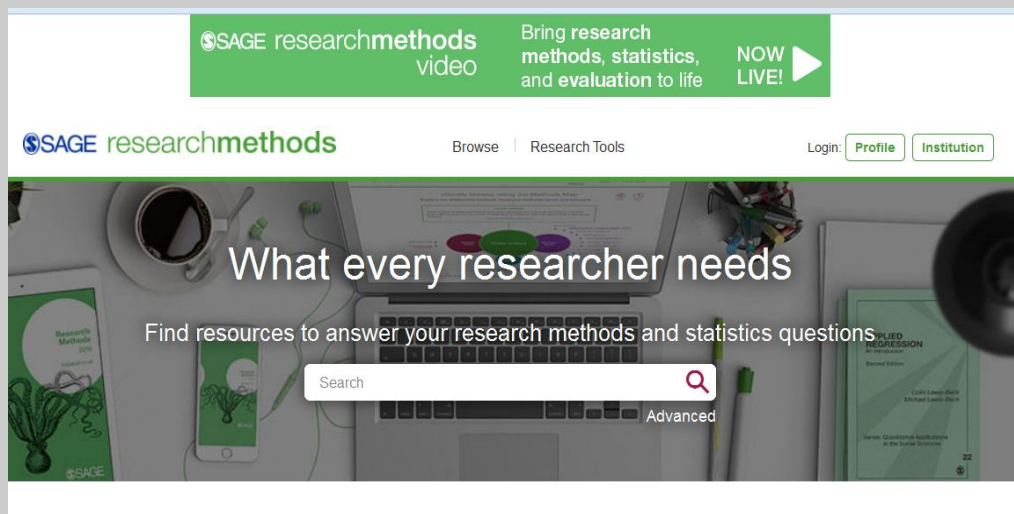


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**Brief History**

SAGE is credited with being an early driver in publishing social science research methods and is the world's largest publisher of social science research methods today. In 2009, SAGE launched an online community for research methods ([www.methodspace.com](http://www.methodspace.com)) this site continues to flourish, with more than 20,000 members. SAGE released SAGE Research Methods (SRM), its first online resource for research methods students and researchers in 2011. Containing more than 200,000 pages of SAGE's renowned book, journal, and reference content, SRM provides advanced search and discovery tools to explore methods concepts across the social sciences. In 2014, SAGE Research Methods Cases was added to SRM, a collection of case studies of

social research, commissioned and designed to explain abstract methodological concepts in practice. In 2015, SAGE Research Methods Datasets a collection of teaching datasets that can be used by students learning to work with statistical and analytical methods was launched.

### ***Scope and Coverage***

Nearly everyone at a university is involved in research, from students learning how to conduct research to faculty conducting research for publication to librarians delivering research skills training and doing research on the efficacy of library services. *SAGE Research Methods* has the answer for each of these user groups, from a quick dictionary definition, a case study example from a researcher in the field, a downloadable teaching dataset, a full-text title from the *Quantitative Applications in the Social Sciences* series, or a video tutorial showing research in action. *SAGE Research Methods* is the ultimate methods library with more than 1000 books, reference works, journal articles, and instructional videos by world-leading academics from across the social sciences, including the largest collection of qualitative methods books available online from any scholarly publisher. The guidebook covers topics like Key concepts in research, philosophy of research, research ethics, planning research, research design, data collection, data quality and data management, qualitative and quantitative data analysis, writing and disseminating research. The above mentioned topics are related to the disciplines like Anthropology, Business and Management, Criminology and Criminal Justice, Communication and Media Studies, Counseling and Psychotherapy, Economics, Education, Geography, Nursing, Political Science and International Relations, Psychology, Social Policy and Public Policy, Social Work, Sociology. This guide book includes content types like Books (Little Green Books, Little Blue Books), Reference, Journal Articles, Datasets, Cases, Video.

### ***Kind of Information***

The site is designed to guide users to the content they need to learn a little or a lot about their method. The Methods Map can help those less familiar with research methods to find the best technique to use in their research. Built upon SAGE's legacy of methods publishing, *SAGE Research Methods* is the essential online tool for researchers. *SAGE Research Methods Cases* are stories of how real research projects were conducted. The collection provides more than 500 case studies, showing the challenges and successes of doing research, written by the researchers themselves. They explain why the researchers chose the methods they did, how they overcame problems in their research and what they might have done differently with hindsight: the realities of research that are missing from journal articles and textbooks. *SAGE Research Methods Datasets* is a collection of teaching datasets and instructional guides that give students a chance to learn data analysis by practicing themselves. *SAGE Research Methods Video* contains more than 120 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. Stimulate class discussions by assigning videos for pre-class viewing, or use a clip in class to provide an alternative viewpoint. Details of resources for librarians are available on the Librarian Resources page. This will include information about MARC records, COUNTER reports, and other useful information. Details of resources for faculty are available on the Faculty Resources page. This will include information about how students can use *SAGE Research Methods*, sample assignments, and other useful information.

### ***Special Features***

- This guide book provides tools to make easy access of its contents. The “Methods Map” is a tool designed to help one understand how method concepts relate to one another. The map has an entry for every method concept in *SAGE Research Methods*. It shows the definition of that term, and provides a link to the content on that subject. Another tool “Reading Lists” are lists of content created by users of *SAGE Research Methods*.
- The original *SAGE Research Methods* product contains a huge number of *SAGE*'s books and reference content on the subject of Research Methods. This includes the famous Little Green Books, aka the *Quantitative Applications in the Social Sciences* series, as well as Little Blue Books, Handbooks and Major Works. The Reference works include our world class dictionaries and encyclopedias. In addition to this it provides a group of videos with some of the top research methods scholars in the world. New titles are added to the *SAGE Research Methods* each year, of various content types, this normally happens for the beginning of each year.
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### ***Arrangement Pattern***

All the entries can be browse by the topic wise arrangement of key terms as well as by the alphabetic list of discipline names. The entries can be searched by writing down the questions in the search bar and also can be made advance search for the contents. All the contents are further rearranged in the home page by which users can access e-books (classic and cutting edge books), videos (watch methods), references (find quick answers), blue books (qualitative methods), green books (quantitative methods), Cases (stories of real research), datasets( Practice Data Analysis).

### ***Remarks***

*SAGE Research Methods* supports research at all levels by providing material to guide users through every step of the research process. *SAGE* is a leading independent, academic and professional publisher of innovative, high-quality content and has helped

inform and educate a global community of scholars, practitioners, researchers, and students across a broad range of subject areas. By this guidebook it helps students, researchers, teachers to access enormous sources of knowledge on various research methods applicable in various disciplines.

***Comparable Tools***

- The Research Ethics Guidebook  
( <http://ethicsguidebook.ac.uk/Research-methods-71>)

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