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SAGE Publications  
This Handbook  
addresses why  
political science  
programs teach the  
research process and  
how instructors  
come to teach these  
courses and develop  
their pedagogy.  
Contributors offer  
diverse perspectives  
on pedagogy,  
student audience,  
and the role of  
research in their  
curricula. Across  
four sections—infor  
mation literacy,  
research design,  
research methods,  
and research  
writing—authors  
share personal  
reflections that  
showcase the  
evolution of their  
pedagogy. Each  
chapter offers best  
practices that can

serve the wider  
community of  
teachers. Ultimately,  
this text focuses less  
on the technical  
substance of the  
research process and  
more on the  
experiences that have  
guided instructors '  
philosophies and  
practices related to  
teaching it.  
**Writing a  
Research  
Paper in  
Political  
Science** Lynne  
Rienner  
Publishers  
How to Write  
a BA Thesis  
is the only  
book that  
directly  
addresses the  
needs of  
undergraduate  
students  
writing a

major paper.  
This book  
offers step-  
by-step  
advice on how  
to move from  
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to finished  
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covers  
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topic,  
selecting an  
advisor,  
writing a  
proposal,  
conducting  
research,  
developing an  
argument,  
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editing the  
thesis, and  
making  
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defense.  
Lipson also  
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the  
challenges

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that arise when tackling such a project, and he offers advice for breaking through writer's block and juggling school-life demands. This is a must-read for anyone writing a BA thesis, or for anyone who advises these students.

*Political Science Research in Practice*  
McGraw-Hill  
Education (UK)

This text starts by explaining the fundamental goal of good political science research—the ability

to answer interesting and important questions by generating valid inferences about political phenomena. Before the text even discusses the process of developing a research question, the authors introduce the reader to what it means to make an inference and the different challenges that social scientists face when confronting this task. Only with this ultimate goal in mind will students be able to ask appropriate questions, conduct fruitful literature reviews, select and execute the proper research design, and critically evaluate the work of others. The authors' primary goal is to teach students to critically evaluate their own research

designs and others' and analyze the extent to which they overcome the classic challenges to making inference: internal and external validity concerns, omitted variable bias, endogeneity, measurement, sampling, and case selection errors, and poor research questions or theory. As such, students will not only be better able to conduct political science research, but they will also be more savvy consumers of the constant flow of causal assertions that they confront in scholarship, in the media, and in conversations with others. Three themes run through Barakso, Sabet, and Schaffner's text: minimizing classic research problems to

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making valid inferences, effective presentation of research results, and the nonlinear nature of the research process. Throughout their academic years and later in their professional careers, students will need to effectively convey various bits of information. Presentation skills gleaned from this text will benefit students for a lifetime, whether they continue in academia or in a professional career. Several distinctive features make this book noteworthy: A common set of examples threaded throughout the text give students a common ground across chapters and expose them to a broad range of subfields in the

discipline. Box features throughout the book illustrate the nonlinear, "non-textbook" reality of research, demonstrate the often false inferences and poor social science in the way the popular press covers politics, and encourage students to think about ethical issues at various stages of the research process.

## **Research Methods for Political Science**

Freedom Pub

In this landmark effort to understand African American people in the New World, Gunnar Myrdal provides deep insight into

the contradictions of American democracy as well as a study of a people within a people. The title of the book, 'An American Dilemma', refers to the moral contradiction of a nation torn between allegiance to its highest ideals and awareness of the base realities of racial discrimination. The touchstone of this classic is the jarring discrepancy between the American creed of respect for the inalienable rights to freedom,

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justice, and opportunity for all and the pervasive violations of the dignity of blacks. The appendices are a gold mine of information, theory, and methodology. Indeed, two of the appendices were issued as a separate work given their importance for systematic theory in social research. The new introduction by Sissela Bok offers a remarkably intimate yet rigorously objective appraisal of

Myrdal—a social scientist who wanted to see himself as an analytic intellectual, yet had an unbending desire to bring about change. 'An American Dilemma' is testimonial to the man as well as the ideas he espoused. When it first appeared 'An American Dilemma' was called "the most penetrating and important book on contemporary American civilization" by Robert S. Lynd; "One of the best political

commentaries on American life that has ever been written" in The American Political Science Review; and a book with "a novelty and a courage seldom found in American discussions either of our total society or of the part which the Negro plays in it" in 'The American Sociological Review'. It is a foundation work for all those concerned with the history and current status of race relations in the United States.

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A Gentle Guide to Research Methods

Routledge

This book is designed to introduce doctoral and graduate students to the process of conducting scientific research in the social sciences, business, education, public health, and related disciplines. It is a one-stop, comprehensive, and compact source for foundational concepts in behavioral research, and can serve as a stand-alone text or as a supplement to research readings

in any doctoral seminar or research methods class. This book is currently used as a research text at universities on six continents and will shortly be available in nine different languages.

Research Methods for Political Science Springer Nature  
This text introduces students to the discipline of political science and the research process by teaching them how to conduct basic political research without overwhelming them with statistical theorizing and calculation. Political Science Research has three objectives.

First, it gives students the scope of the discipline by acquainting them with what political scientists do and study. Second, it familiarizes readers with the methods that political scientists use to examine pertinent questions. Third, the text guides readers through each stage of the research process: topic selection, literature review, hypothesis formulation, data collection, input and analysis, and the writing of the final report. Contesting the Iranian Revolution Oxford University Press, USA  
Thoroughly updated, more concise than the previous edition,

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and available for the first time in paperback, "Research Methods for Political Science" is designed to help students learn what to research, why to research, and how to research. The text integrates both quantitative and qualitative approaches to research in one volume, and includes the most comprehensive coverage of qualitative methods currently available. It covers such important topics as research design, specifying research problems, designing questionnaires and writing questions, designing and carrying out qualitative research, and analyzing both quantitative and qualitative research data. Heavily illustrated, classroom

tested, and exceptionally readable and engaging, the text also provides specific instructions on the use of available statistical software programs such as Excel and SPSS. A Practical Guide for Policy Analysis Routledge Three nations in similar economic situations since the 1970s have pursued different monetary strategies. Walsh argues that monetary policies produce predictable winners and losers, and that policy choice is a function of how industrial firms, banks and unions use their political resources. Statistical Abstract of Latin America Cambridge University Press This Second Edition

of Diana Ridley ' s bestselling guide to the literature review outlines practical strategies for reading and note taking, and guides the reader on how to conduct a systematic search of the available literature, and uses cases and examples throughout to demonstrate best practice in writing and presenting the review. New to this edition are examples drawn from a wide range of disciplines, a new chapter on conducting a systematic review, increased coverage of issues of evaluating quality and conducting reviews using online sources and online literature and enhanced guidance in dealing with copyright and permissions issues.

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The Palgrave Handbook of Political Research Pedagogy Routledge SAGE Course Companions are an exciting new series from SAGE offering students an insider's guide into how to make the most of their undergraduate courses and extend their understanding of key concepts covered in their course. Social Research Methods provides student readers with essential help with their research project, with revising for their course exams, preparing and writing course assessment materials, and enhancing and progressing their knowledge and thinking skills in line with course requirements on

Research Methods courses. This Course Companion is designed to augment, rather than replace, existing textbooks for the course, and will provide: " Helpful summaries of the course curriculum to aid essay and project planning " Key summaries of the approach taken by the main Methods textbooks " Guidance on the essential study skills required " Help with developing critical thinking " Route-maps to aid the development of wider learning above and beyond the textbook " Pointers to success in course exams and written assessment exercises " A tutor's-eye view of what course examiners are looking for " An insider's view of what key course concepts

are really all about SAGE Course Companions are much more than revision guides for undergraduate; they are an essential tool to taking your course learning and understanding to new levels and in new directions that are the key to success in undergraduate courses.

**Research Design in Political Science** Yale University Press  
The definitive career guide for grad students, adjuncts, post-docs and anyone else eager to get their Ph.D. into their ideal job  
Each year tens of thousands of



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students will, after years of hard work and enormous amounts of money, earn their Ph.D. And each year only a small percentage of them will land a job that justifies and rewards their investment. For every comfortably tenured professor or well-paid former academic, there are countless underpaid and overworked adjuncts, and many more who simply give up in frustration. Those who do make it share an important asset that separates them from the pack: they have a plan. They understand exactly what they need to do to set themselves up for success. They know what really moves the needle in academic job searches, how to avoid the all-too-common mistakes that sink so many of their peers, and how to decide when to point their Ph.D. toward other, non-academic options. Karen Kelsky has made it her mission to help readers join the select few who get the most out of their Ph.D. As a former tenured professor and department head who oversaw numerous academic job searches, she knows from experience exactly what gets an academic applicant a job. And as the creator of the popular and widely respected advice site The Professor is In, she has helped countless Ph.D. 's turn themselves into stronger applicants and land their dream careers. Now, for the first time ever, Karen has poured all her best advice into a single handy guide that addresses the most

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important issues facing any Ph.D., including: -When, where, and what to publish -Writing a foolproof grant application -Cultivating references and crafting the perfect CV -Acing the job talk and campus interview -Avoiding the adjunct trap -Making the leap to nonacademic work, when the time is right

The Professor Is In addresses all of these issues, and many more. Advances in Experimental Political Science Routledge From Postgraduate

to Social Scientist is essential reading for any postgraduate or new researcher who is interested in a career in the social sciences. The book describes the skills needed for success in moving from being a student to becoming an academic or professional social scientist. Written by experts in the field, Gilbert et al., this book offers a unique insider's view of how to make the transition. By adopting a clear and accessible approach, this book encourages students embarking on the journey towards becoming a social scientist to engage with every aspect of

the process.

Research and Writing Guide for Political Science  
Routledge

- Guides students in the preparation of literature reviews for term projects, theses, and dissertations.
- Most chapters are conveniently divided into easy-to-follow guidelines, sequential steps, or checklists. Numerous examples throughout the book show students what should and should not be done when writing reviews.
- Emphasizes critical analysis of reports of empirical research in academic journals—making it ideal as a supplement for research methods courses. This book makes it possible for students to work independently on a

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critical literature review as a term project. • Nine model literature reviews at the end of the book provide the stimulus for homework assignments and classroom discussions.

- The activities at the end of each chapter keep students moving toward their goal of writing a polished, professional review of academic literature.
- Most examples include material from recently published research.

Includes nine model literature reviews for discussion and evaluation.

**A Guide to Key Skills** Edward Elgar Publishing  
Ghana's 2004 elections were another milestone

in the country's transition to a mature democracy. The essays in this volume cover about 50 constituencies studied during the 2004 elections. They assess on the bases of evidence from each set of constituencies the quality of democratic governance, focusing on key issues such as political participation, the dynamics of political choice, the electoral system as well as the challenges and prospects of democracy. Some

of the major conclusions are that few Ghanaians are registered party members though they take active part in other political activities, electoral politics may be captured by a few wealthy individuals and groups if the issue of party financing is not addressed dispassionately and promptly; local/community factor and concerns are the greatest influence on voters choices; factors such as ethnicity do not have a decisive influence on voting behavior even

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where they appear visibly powerful in electoral politics. Above all Ghanaians appreciate the value of competitive elections. A Practical Guide SAGE Publications A Handbook for Social Science Field Research: Essays & Bibliographic Sources on Research Design and Methods provides both novice and experienced scholars with valuable insights to a select list of critical texts pertaining to a

wide array of social science methods useful when doing fieldwork. Through essays on ethnography to case study, archival research, oral history, surveys, secondary data analysis, and ethics, this refreshing new collection offers "tales from the field" by renowned scholars across various disciplines. Enhancing Progress in Social Science Macmillan International Higher Education IF YOU ARE ABOUT TO DO A RESEARCH PROJECT, THEN THIS IS THE IDEAL GUIDE

FOR YOU. A Gentle Guide to Research Methods explains what research is, and guides you through choosing and using the method best suited to your needs, with detailed examples from a wide range of disciplines. It also gives you practical "nuts and bolts" advice about how to avoid classic problems and how to get the most out of your project. Written in a down-to-earth and highly accessible style, this unique book provides an overview of the "big picture" of research and of how this links to practical details. It covers the

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whole process of conducting research, including: Choosing a research topic and research design Data collection methods Data analysis and statistics Writing up

The authors also provide invaluable advice about planning your research so that it can help you with your career plans and life aspirations. Drawing on numerous examples from student projects, *A Gentle Guide to Research Methods* will guide you through your project towards a happy ending.

[A Handbook of Scope and Methods](#) Voting for Democracy in

Ghana: Constituency studies

Experimental political science has changed. In two short decades, it evolved from an emergent method to an accepted method to a primary method. The challenge now is to ensure that experimentalists design sound studies and implement them in ways that illuminate cause and effect. Ethical boundaries must also be respected, results interpreted in a transparent manner, and data and research

materials must be shared to ensure others can build on what has been learned. This book explores the application of new designs; the introduction of novel data sources, measurement approaches, and statistical methods; the use of experiments in more substantive domains; and discipline-wide discussions about the robustness, generalizability, and ethics of experiments in political science. By exploring these novel opportunities while also highlighting the

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concomitant challenges, this volume enables scholars and practitioners to conduct high-quality experiments that will make key contributions to knowledge. From Postgraduate to Social Scientist SAGE Organized around these three concepts, Culture/Power/History brings together both classic and new essays that address Foucault's "new economy of power relations" in a number of different, contestatory directions. Representing innovative work

from various disciplines and sites of study, from taxidermy to Madonna, the book seeks to affirm the creative possibilities available in a time marked by growing uncertainty about established disciplinary forms of knowledge and by the increasing fluidity of the boundaries between them. The book is introduced by a major synthetic essay by the editors, which calls attention to the most significant issues enlivening theoretical discourse today. The editors seek not only to encourage scholars to reflect anew on the course of social

theory, but also to orient newcomers to this area of inquiry. Culture/power/history SAGE "Stephen Van Evera's Guide to Methods makes an important contribution toward improving the use of case studies for theory development and testing in the social sciences. His trenchant and concise views on issues ranging from epistemology to specific research techniques manage to convey not only the methods but the ethos of research. This book is

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essential reading for social science students at all levels who aspire to conduct rigorous research." —Alexander L. George, Stanford University, and Andrew Bennett, Georgetown University "Van Evera has a keen awareness of the questions that arise in every phase of the political science research project—from initial conception to final presentation. Although others may not agree with all of his specific advice, all will appreciate his user-friendly

introduction to what is sometimes seen as an abstract and difficult topic." —Timothy J. McKeown, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill For the last few years, Stephen Van Evera has greeted new graduate students at MIT with a commonsense introduction to qualitative methods in the social sciences. His helpful hints, always warmly received, grew from a handful of memos to an underground classic primer. That primer has

now evolved into a book of how-to information about graduate study, which is essential reading for graduate students and undergraduates in political science, sociology, anthropology, economics, and history—and for their advisers. A Reader in Contemporary Social Theory CQ Press Research and Writing in International Relations offers the step-by-step guidance and the essential resources needed to compose political science papers that go beyond description and into systematic and sophisticated

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inquiry. This text focuses on areas where students often need help – finding a topic, developing a question, reviewing the literature, designing research, and last, writing the paper. Including current and detailed coverage on how to start research in the discipline 's major subfields, *Research and Writing in International Relations* gives students a classroom-tested approach that leads to better research and writing in introductory and advanced courses.