Case Studies – Social Work

Case study: Jessica

Jessica is 11 years old and lives with her parents. She has cerebral palsy and is a wheelchair user. Jessica has very limited verbal communication and is completely dependent upon other people for all her daily living needs. She attends a local comprehensive school where she receives 1:1 support. Jessica has found it difficult getting to know the other children in the school and is very unhappy there and cries each day before going to school.

Case study: Geraint

Geraint aged 14 has been arrested at 1 a.m. for criminal damage of a property after a complaint by his parents. He is very subdued and had rejected the offer of a solicitor. A social worker has been called to the police station to act as an appropriate adult as neither of his parents have come with him. During the questioning Geraint gets very upset and said that he only smashed the pictures and doors at the house after his parents kept on and on about how he had never fit into the family properly, about how disappointed they were with his continued poor results at school, and that they wished they had never adopted him. They have said they do not want him to return to the house.
Case Studies and Theory Development in the Social Sciences-Alexander L. George 2005-04-15 The use of case studies to build and test theories in political science and the other social sciences has increased in recent years. Many scholars have argued that the social sciences rely too heavily on quantitative research and formal models and have attempted to develop and refine rigorous methods for using case studies. This text presents a comprehensive analysis of research methods using case studies and examines the place of case studies in social science methodology. It argues that case studies, statistical methods, and formal models are complementary rather than competitive. The book explains how to design case study research that will produce results useful to policymakers and emphasizes the importance of developing policy-relevant theories. It offers three major contributions to case study methodology: an emphasis on the importance of within-case analysis, a detailed discussion of process tracing, and development of the concept of typological theories. Case Studies and Theory Development in the Social Sciences will be particularly useful to graduate students and scholars in social science methodology and the philosophy of science, as well as to those designing new research projects, and will contribute greatly to the broader debate about scientific methods.

Case Study Research-John Gerring 2006-12-11 Case Study Research: Principles and Practices aims to provide a general understanding of the case study method as well as specific tools for its successful implementation. These tools can be utilized in all fields where the case study method is prominent, including business, anthropology, communications, economics, education, medicine, political science, social work, and sociology. Topics include the definition of a 'case study,' the strengths and weaknesses of this distinctive method, strategies for choosing cases, an experimental template for understanding research design, and the role of singular observations in case study research. It is argued that a diversity of approaches - experimental,
observational, qualitative, quantitative, ethnographic - may be successfully integrated into case study research. This book breaks down traditional boundaries between qualitative and quantitative, experimental and nonexperimental, positivist and interpretivist.

Case Studies in Social Work Practice-Craig W. LeCroy 2014-02-10 A practical approach to understanding social work concepts in action that integrates theory and practice In this updated edition of the classic social work text, students and instructors have access to real-world demonstrations of how social work theories and concepts can be applied in practice. The case studies in this book bridge the gap between the classroom and the field by allowing students to discover the when, why, and how of social work principles. Brief but comprehensive topic overviews are brought to life by case studies that apply general theories to the work of social work. Each of the book's nine sections cover an essential area of social work, encompassing the micro, mezzo, and macro levels Highly readable explanations are followed by 3-5 case studies relating theory to the living practice of real social workers Topics include Generalist Practice; Family Therapy, Treatment of Adults; and Diversity Approaching each topic from a variety of different theoretical bases, this essential text allow students to learn by concrete example, experiencing social work concepts as they are applied in the profession today.

Case Studies on Diversity and Social Justice Education-Paul C. Gorski 2018-02-21 Case Studies on Diversity and Social Justice Education offers pre- and in-service educators an opportunity to analyze and reflect upon a variety of realistic case studies related to educational equity and social justice. The accessibly written cases allow educators to practice the process of considering a range of contextual factors, checking their own biases, and making immediate- and longer-term decisions about how to create and sustain equitable learning environments for all students. This revised edition adds ten new cases to offer greater coverage of elementary education, as well as topics such as body-shaming, Black Lives Matter, and transgender oppression. Existing cases have been updated to reflect new societal contexts, and streamlined for ease-of-use. The book begins with a seven-point process for examining case studies. Largely lacking from existing case study collections,
this framework guides readers through the process of identifying, examining, reflecting on, and taking concrete steps to resolve challenges related to diversity and equity in schools. The cases themselves present everyday examples of the ways in which racism, sexism, homophobia and heterosexism, class inequities, language bias, religious-based oppression, and other equity and diversity concerns affect students, teachers, families, and other members of our school communities. They involve classroom issues that are relevant to all grade levels and content areas, allowing significant flexibility in how and with whom they are used. Although organized topically, the intersections of these issues are stressed throughout the cases, reflecting the complexities of real-life scenarios. All cases conclude with a series of questions to guide discussion and a section of facilitator notes, called ‘Points for Consideration.’ This unique feature provides valuable insight for understanding the complexities of each case.

Case Studies in Social Psychology-Thomas Heinzen 2018-03-21 In Case Studies in Social Psychology: Critical Thinking and Application, Thomas Heinzen and Wind Goodfriend use brief, entertaining case stories to illustrate the historical context and evolution of major theories within the field of social psychology. By employing a unique mix of contemporary research and hallmark studies, Heinzen and Goodfriend encourage students to explore new, meaningful ways of thinking about and connecting with foundational course concepts. In turn, this approach facilitates engaged conversation and deeper critical thinking both in and out of the classroom.

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Case Studies and Theory Development in the Social Sciences-Graham H Stuart Professor of International Relations Alexander L George 2005 A text that emphasizes the importance of case studies in social science scholarship and shows how to make case study practices more rigorous.

Social Problems-Norman Allan Dolch 2007 Social Problems explores the consequences of symbolic interactionism in society, a theory which contends that people attach meanings to symbols such as language or gestures and base their behaviors on their interpretations of these meanings. Norman A. Dolch, Linda Deutschmann, and Helen Powell compile a number of critical and innovative essays that explore different aspects of society including mental illness, race relations, terrorism, and family life.

Case Studies in Child, Adolescent, and Family Treatment-Craig W. LeCroy 2014-12-31 "Examines how to apply clinical theories to social work practice. Contains a wide range of cases described in rich detail by practitioners, scholars, and researchers. Chapters represent contexts and approaches across the social work spectrum, so students will get to glimpse into the clinical experience of a full range of professionals. Covers the most important areas in social work practice, including: child welfare and adoption, individual and group treatment, school and community settings, family treatment and parent training"--
Case Studies for Teaching Social Psychology-Thomas Heinzen 2021-01-05 What captivates learners and interests them in studying social psychology? In Case Studies for Teaching Social Psychology Tom Heinzen and Wind Goodfriend use brief, entertaining case stories to further enhance the historical context, evolution of, and challenges to major theories within the field. By employing a mix of unique, contemporary research and hallmark studies to illustrate classic concepts, Heinzen and Goodfriend steer students to explore new, meaningful ways of thinking about and connecting with foundational course concepts. In turn, this approach facilitates engaged conversation and deeper critical thinking both in and outside of the classroom.

Case Studies in Generalist Practice-Robert F. Rivas 2004 This book is a compilation of real cases submitted by social workers and faculty teaching social work courses. The cases help students understand how clients, issues, and agencies interact, as well as see how that understanding connects with the actual "doing" of generalist social work practice. The cases reflect a broad range of courses in the social work curriculum and the most current CSWE standards.

How to Do Your Case Study-Gary Thomas 2015-10-09 Vibrant and insightful, this book introduces students and researchers to the basics of case study research. Adopting jargon-free language, it grounds its advice in concrete experience and real-world cases. Using examples from across the social sciences, Gary Thomas provides practical guidance on how best to read, design and carry out case study research with a focus on how to manage and analyze data. The new edition of this bestselling book addresses crucial issues around ethics and has improved coverage of key themes such as rigor, validity, generalization and the analysis of case studies. It demystifies case study research and answers important questions such as: What is a case study? When and why should case study methods be used? How are case studies designed? What methods can be used? How do we analyze and make sense of our data? How do we write up and write about our case? Bursting with real-world examples and multidisciplinary cases, and supported by a dynamic new website, this book is essential reading for any student or researcher in the social sciences and humanities.

Case Study Research and Applications-Robert K. Yin 2017-09-27 The Sixth Edition of Robert K. Yin’s bestseller...
provides a complete portal to the world of case study research. Offering comprehensive coverage of the design and use of the case study method in addition to an integration of applications, the book gives readers access to exemplary case studies drawn from a wide variety of academic and applied fields. The integration of applications will enable users to see more directly how concrete case studies can implement the principles of case study research methods.

Extraordinary Behavior-Dennis L. Peck 2001 Analyzes, illustrates, and evaluates contemporary social problems using a symbolic interaction and case study approach.

Transforming Research Methods in the Social Sciences-Angelo Flynn 2019-03-01 Social science researchers in the global South, and in South Africa particularly, utilise research methods in innovative ways in order to respond to contexts characterised by diversity, racial and political tensions, socioeconomic disparities and gender inequalities. These methods often remain undocumented - a gap that this book starts to address. Written by experts from various methodological fields, Transforming Research Methods in the Social Sciences is a comprehensive collation of original essays and cutting-edge research that demonstrates the variety of novel techniques and research methods available to researchers responding to these context-bound issues. It is particularly relevant for study and research in the fields of applied psychology, sociology, ethnography, biography and anthropology. In addition to their unique combination of conceptual and application issues, the chapters also include discussions on ethical considerations relevant to the method in similar global South contexts. Transforming Research Methods in the Social Sciences has much to offer to researchers, professionals and others involved in social science research both locally and internationally.


Multiple Case Study Analysis-Robert E. Stake 2013-04-29 Examining situational complexity is a vital part of social and behavioral science research. This engaging text provides an effective process for studying multiple cases--such as sets of teachers, staff development sessions, or clinics operating in different locations--within one complex program. The process also can be used to investigate broadly occurring phenomena without
programmatic links, such as leadership or sibling rivalry. Readers learn to design, analyze, and report studies that balance common issues across the group of cases with the unique features and context of each case. Three actual case reports from a transnational early childhood program illustrate the author's approach, and helpful reproducible worksheets facilitate multicase recording and analysis.

The Behavioral and Social Sciences-National Research Council 1988-02-01 This volume explores the scientific frontiers and leading edges of research across the fields of anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, sociology, history, business, education, geography, law, and psychiatry, as well as the newer, more specialized areas of artificial intelligence, child development, cognitive science, communications, demography, linguistics, and management and decision science. It includes recommendations concerning new resources, facilities, and programs that may be needed over the next several years to ensure rapid progress and provide a high level of returns to basic research.

The Handbook of Interior Design-Jo Ann Asher Thompson 2015-02-09 The Handbook of Interior Design explores ways of thinking that inform the discipline of interior design. It challenges readers to consider the connections within theory, research, and practice and the critical underpinnings that have shaped interior design. Offers a theory of interior design by moving beyond a descriptive approach to the discipline to a 'why and how' study of interiors Provides a full overview of the most current Interior Design research and scholarly thought from around the world Explores examples of research designs and methodological approaches that are applicable to interior design upper division and graduate education courses Brings together an international team of contributors, including well established scholars alongside emerging voices in the field - reflecting mature and emergent ideas, research, and philosophies in the field Exemplifies where interior design sits in its maturation as a discipline and profession through inclusion of diverse authors, topics, and ideas

Social Network Analysis-Xiaoming Fu 2017-03-31 The book addresses the issue of interdisciplinary understanding of collaboration on the topic of social network studies. Researchers and practitioners from
various disciplines including sociology, computer science, socio-psychology, public health, complex systems, and management science have worked largely independently, each with quite different principles, terminologies, theories, and methodologies. The book aims to fill the gap among these disciplines with a number of the latest interdisciplinary collaboration studies.

Teaching Research Methods in the Social Sciences-Claire Wagner 2016-04-01 How can excellence in the teaching of research methods be encouraged and ensured? This question has become increasingly important following the adoption of research methodology as a core part of many postgraduate and undergraduate courses. There has, however, been little discussion about the aims and methods of teaching the subject. In this volume; a number of authors from a variety of countries and disciplines employ their knowledge and experience towards the development of a 'pedagogical culture' in research methods. Their aim is to establish the extent of common concerns and challenges and to demonstrate ways in which these are being met. Intended to provide both a stimulus and source materials for the development of a more substantial and systematic literature in the field, the book will be of great interest to all those teaching research methods courses within social science disciplines.

Decision Science and Social Risk Management-M.W Merkhofer 2012-12-06 Economists, decision analysts, management scientists, and others have long argued that government should take a more scientific approach to decision making. Pointing to various theories for prescribing and rationalizing choices, they have maintained that social goals could be achieved more effectively and at lower costs if government decisions were routinely subjected to analysis. Now, government policy makers are putting decision science to the test. Recent government actions encourage and in some cases require government decisions to be evaluated using formally defined principles of rationality. Will decision science pass this test? The answer depends on whether analysts can quickly and successfully translate their theories into practical approaches and whether these approaches promote the solution of the complex, highly uncertain, and politically sensitive problems that are of greatest concern to government decision makers. The future of decision science, perhaps even the
nation's well-being, depends on the outcome. A major difficulty for the analysts who are being called upon by government to apply decision-aiding approaches is that decision science has not yet evolved a universally accepted methodology for analyzing social decisions involving risk. Numerous approaches have been proposed, including variations of cost-benefit analysis, decision analysis, and applied social welfare theory. Each of these, however, has its limitations and deficiencies and none has a proven track record for application to government decisions involving risk. Cost-benefit approaches have been extensively applied by the government, but most applications have been for decisions that were largely risk-free.

The Case Study as Research Method—Yves-Chantal Gagnon 2010-01-01 Teeming with practical examples, this guide promotes an integrated approach for carrying out a case study. With a background emphasis on how to ensure the reliability and validity of results, the different steps of this approach are detailed: assessing the appropriateness of a case study; preparation; selecting cases; data collection, analysis and interpretation; and reporting results

Impact Evaluation in Practice, Second Edition—Paul J. Gertler 2016-09-12 The second edition of the Impact Evaluation in Practice handbook is a comprehensive and accessible introduction to impact evaluation for policy makers and development practitioners. First published in 2011, it has been used widely across the development and academic communities. The book incorporates real-world examples to present practical guidelines for designing and implementing impact evaluations. Readers will gain an understanding of impact evaluations and the best ways to use them to design evidence-based policies and programs. The updated version covers the newest techniques for evaluating programs and includes state-of-the-art implementation advice, as well as an expanded set of examples and case studies that draw on recent development challenges. It also includes new material on research ethics and partnerships to conduct impact evaluation. The handbook is divided into four sections: Part One discusses what to evaluate and why; Part Two presents the main impact evaluation methods; Part Three addresses how to manage impact evaluations; Part Four reviews impact evaluation sampling and data collection. Case studies illustrate different applications of impact evaluations.
The book links to complementary instructional material available online, including an applied case as well as questions and answers. The updated second edition will be a valuable resource for the international development community, universities, and policy makers looking to build better evidence around what works in development.

The Anatomy of the Case Study-Gary Thomas 2015-05-20 This sharp, stimulating title provides a structure for thinking about, analysing and designing case study. It explores the historical, theoretical and practical bones of modern case study research, offering to social scientists a framework for understanding and working with this form of inquiry. Using detailed analysis of examples taken from across the social sciences Thomas and Myers set out, and then work through, an intricate typology of case study design to answer questions such as: How is a case study constructed? What are the required, inherent components of case study? Can a coherent structure be applied to this form of inquiry? The book grounds complex theoretical insights in real world research and includes an extended example that has been annotated line by line to take the reader through each step of understanding and conducting research using case study.

Designing Social Inquiry-Gary King 2021-08-17 The classic work on qualitative methods in political science Designing Social Inquiry presents a unified approach to qualitative and quantitative research in political science, showing how the same logic of inference underlies both. This stimulating book discusses issues related to framing research questions, measuring the accuracy of data and the uncertainty of empirical inferences, discovering causal effects, and getting the most out of qualitative research. It addresses topics such as interpretation and inference, comparative case studies, constructing causal theories, dependent and explanatory variables, the limits of random selection, selection bias, and errors in measurement. The book only uses mathematical notation to clarify concepts, and assumes no prior knowledge of mathematics or statistics. Featuring a new preface by Robert O. Keohane and Gary King, this edition makes an influential work available to new generations of qualitative researchers in the social sciences.

Encyclopedia of Case Study Research-Albert J. Mills 2010 Case study research has a long history within the
natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities, dating back to the early 1920’s. At first it was a useful way for researchers to make valid inferences from events outside the laboratory in ways consistent with the rigorous practices of investigation inside the lab. Over time, case study approaches garnered interest in multiple disciplines as scholars studied phenomena in context. Despite widespread use, case study research has received little attention among the literature on research strategies. The Encyclopedia of Case Study Research provides a compendium on the important methodological issues in conducting case study research and explores both the strengths and weaknesses of different paradigmatic approaches. These two volumes focus on the distinctive characteristics of case study research and its place within and alongside other research methodologies. Key Features Presents a definition of case study research that can be used in different fields of study Describes case study as a research strategy rather than as a single tool for decision making and inquiry Guides rather than dictates, readers' understanding and applications of case study research Includes a critical summary in each entry, which raises additional matters for reflection Makes case study relevant to researchers at various stages of their careers, across philosophic divides, and throughout diverse disciplines Key Themes Academic Disciplines Case Study Research Design Conceptual Issues Data Analysis Data Collection Methodological Approaches Theoretical Traditions Theory Development and Contributions From Case Study Research Types of Case Study Research Social Entrepreneurship in India-Madhukar Shukla 2019-12-09 India is a hub of social entrepreneurship and has a long history of solving social problems through entrepreneurial strategies. The book explores this phenomenon with lessons from more than 120 real-life examples of Indian social ventures. It describes how ordinary individuals can solve, and are solving, some of the most critical social problems that besiege the Indian society. Social Entrepreneurship in India focuses on what ‘entrepreneurship’ means for social entrepreneurs, and how their efforts are different than other social change agents. Using examples, the author provides insights into the nature of entrepreneurial thinking and the methods used by social entrepreneurs to create their ventures and to make essential products and services reachable to marginalized, remote and
fragmented markets and communities in a sustainable manner. Based on the existing successful Indian social ventures and enterprises, the book provides practical insights into the models used to build these successful ventures.

Fashion Business Cases-Leslie Davis Burns 2020-12-10 Fashion Business Cases: A Student Guide to Learning with Case Studies allows students to apply what they are learning in the classroom to real-life situations in the global fashion industry. Adapted from the Bloomsbury Fashion Business Cases (BFBC) online resource, this text will aid instructors in providing high-quality examples from scholars around the world. A mix of introductory, intermediate, and advanced cases ensure that students of all levels can develop the business, communication, and problem-solving skills required of fashion industry professionals. Topics range from corporate social responsibility and sustainable fashion to transparent brand communication and cultural sensitivity. This book is designed to foster critical and ethical thinking as students enter the fashion industry. Key Features: - 40 cases studies, of introductory, intermediate, and advanced level - Learning Objectives and Business Questions included with each case - An introductory chapter teaching students how to use case studies effectively

Understanding Case Study Research-Malcolm Tight 2017-01-26 Written in an accessible and jargon-free style, this book provides a comprehensive, student-friendly guide to the nature and use of case study research. Whether as part of a more substantial study or as the foundation for a self-contained smaller project, case studies provide viable and valuable alternatives to conducting large-scale research. Grounded in both theory and practice, this book sets out not only the key debates and ethical issues surrounding case study research, but also focuses specifically on the work of others and how you can understand, use, and write about secondary data as the basis for your own research project. With tips, examples, and extensive discussion of real-world case studies from a variety of social science and other disciplines, Tight illustrates the kinds of research to which case studies can be applied. Topics include: Types of case studies Advantages and disadvantages to using case studies The meaning and value of case study research The use of case studies in
different disciplines and research designs Whether you want to know how to access and use the case studies of others or understand the methods behind conducting your own case study research, this book will take you through every step of the process!

Case Study Method-Roger Gomm 2000-10-17 This is the most comprehensive guide to the current uses and importance of case study methods in social research. The editors bring together key contributions from the field which reflect different interpretations of the purpose and capacity of case study research. The address issues such as: the problem of generalizing from study of a small number of cases; and the role of case study in developing and testing theories. The editors offer in-depth assessments of the main arguments. An annotated bibliography of the literature dealing with case study research makes this an exhaustive and indispensable guide.

The Limitations of Social Research-M. D. Shipman 2014-06-03 'Does the evidence reflect the reality under investigation?' This is just one of the important questions Marten Shipman asks in the fourth edition of his highly successful book, The Limitations of Social Research. Substantially revised and up-dated it probes not only the technical stages of research, but also its assumptions, procedures and dissemination.

Case Study Research-Robert K. Yin 2009 Providing a complete portal to the world of case study research, the Fourth Edition of Robert K. Yin’s bestselling text Case Study Research offers comprehensive coverage of the design and use of the case study method as a valid research tool. This thoroughly revised text now covers more than 50 case studies (approximately 25% new), gives fresh attention to quantitative analyses, discusses more fully the use of mixed methods research designs, and includes new methodological insights. The book’s coverage of case study research and how it is applied in practice gives readers access to exemplary case studies drawn from a wide variety of academic and applied fields. Key Features of the Fourth Edition Highlights each specific research feature through 44 boxed vignettes that feature previously published case studies Provides methodological insights to show the similarities between case studies and other social science methods Suggests a three-stage approach to help readers define the initial questions they will consider in their
own case study research Covers new material on human subjects protection, the role of Institutional Review Boards, and the interplay between obtaining IRB approval and the final development of the case study protocol and conduct of a pilot case Includes an overall graphic of the entire case study research process at the beginning of the book, then highlights the steps in the process through graphics that appear at the outset of all the chapters that follow Offers in-text learning aids including “tips” that pose key questions and answers at the beginning of each chapter, practical exercises, endnotes, and a new cross-referencing table Case Study Research, Fourth Edition is ideal for courses in departments of Education, Business and Management, Nursing and Public Health, Public Administration, Anthropology, Sociology, and Political Science.

Research Design in Social Research-David de Vaus 2001-03-05 `With this book David de Vaus has written one of the best general research methods textbooks around. The use of different types of research design as the point of departure is a different and very helpful approach to take, especially since many textbooks confuse issues of method and design. The author outlines with great clarity a wide variety of issues, including testing theories, causation, data analysis, and the main considerations involved in using the different research designs covered. Both students and their instructors will find this an extremely valuable, well-written book' - Alan Bryman, University of Loughborough


Case Studies in Social Psychology-Thomas Heinzen 2018-03-21 In Case Studies in Social Psychology: Critical Thinking and Application, Thomas Heinzen and Wind Goodfriend use brief, entertaining case stories to illustrate the historical context and evolution of major theories within the field of social psychology. By employing a unique mix of contemporary research and hallmark studies, Heinzen and Goodfriend encourage students to explore new, meaningful ways of thinking about and connecting with foundational course concepts. In turn, this approach facilitates engaged conversation and deeper critical thinking both in and out of the classroom.

Directory of Social Research Organisations in the United Kingdom-Wendy Sykes 1993 This directory of over
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1000 social research organizations in the UK, covering central and local government, quangos, universities and other higher education research centres and units, independent research institutes, charities, market research companies and management consultants. Entries provide name and address of organization and director, number of researchers, fields and methods of research, details of up to three recent projects, research services, training opportunities and contact information. Additional sections provide information on individual freelance researchers, philanthropic funding bodies, relevant professional associations and training courses in research methods. Also included are short articles by leading figures from each of the main research sectors covered.

Doing Case Study Research-Dawson R. Hancock 2017-01-30 Reflecting recent knowledge and developments in the field, this very practical, easy-to-use guide emphasizes learning how to do case study research—from the first step of deciding whether a case study is the way to go to the last step of verifying and confirming findings before disseminating them. The authors show students how to: determine an appropriate research design; conduct informative interviews; record observations; document analyses; delineate ways to confirm case study findings; describe methods for deriving meaning from data; and communicate their findings. Featuring many new examples, the Third Edition offers step-by-step guidance to help beginning researchers through the stages of planning and implementing a thesis, dissertation, or independent project. This succinct “how-to” guide is an excellent place for anyone to begin doing case study research. Book Features: Straightforward introduction to the science of doing case study research. A step-by-step approach that speaks directly to the novice investigator. Many concrete examples to illustrate key concepts. Questions, illustrations, and activities to reinforce what has been learned. “Hancock and Algozzine have developed an important resource for guiding novice researchers to use logical thinking when conducting case study research. The examples and step-by-step approach illustrate the importance of incorporating theory and practice.” —Claudia Flowers, professor, UNC Charlotte “Hancock and Algozzine have written the ‘go-to’ book on case study research. They start out with how case studies fit in with the continuum of qualitative and quantitative research, walk the reader...
through the stages and methods of case study research, and tie it all together with the “how-to” of preparing proposals and disseminating the results. Each chapter of this easy-to-read text ends with a set of content review questions and activities that guide the reader through applying the material.” —William Owings, professor, Educational Leadership at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia “While this comprehensive basic research tool is intended for doing case study research, the book also includes work on research foundations, stages of doing research, and putting it all together, it is most applicable to a range of research designs, other than case studies.” —Terry Cicchelli, professor emerita, Fordham University

The Obedience Experiments-Arthur G. Miller 1986 Russia holds more Arctic territory than any other state, yet unlike other Arctic states it does not have a unified strategy identifying economic and political aims for the North. Russia's policies on the North are dispersed across a variety of fields from domestic migration politics to oil and gas development. This volume engages the disparate elements of Russian northern policy and illustrates how the centralized, relatively economically strong and politically assertive Russia of today defines and addresses northern spaces, opportunities, and challenges. As energy markets continue looking northward and climate change renders the Arctic increasingly accessible, the geopolitical interests of Arctic states will be brought more frequently to the forefront. These circumstances will make the disputed borders and overlapping sovereignty claims of the North an important topic in international politics. Given its geographic size and political influence, Russia is and will continue to be a key regional and global actor in the international politics of the North.

Rethinking Case Study Research-Lesley Bartlett 2016-11-10 Comparative case studies are an effective qualitative tool for researching the impact of policy and practice in various fields of social research, including education. Developed in response to the inadequacy of traditional case study approaches, comparative case studies are highly effective because of their ability to synthesize information across time and space. In Rethinking Case Study Research: A Comparative Approach, the authors describe, explain, and illustrate the horizontal, vertical, and transversal axes of comparative case studies in order to help readers develop their
own comparative case study research designs. In six concise chapters, two experts employ geographically distinct case studies—from Tanzania to Guatemala to the U.S.—to show how this innovative approach applies to the operation of policy and practice across multiple social fields. With examples and activities from anthropology, development studies, and policy studies, this volume is written for researchers, especially graduate students, in the fields of education and the interpretive social sciences.
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