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Research design is the framework of research methods and techniques chosen by a researcher. The design allows researchers to hone in on research methods that are suitable for the subject matter and set up their studies up for success.

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# Selecting appropriate Research Design

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## FOUR KEY CHARACTERISTICS OF RESEARCH DESIGN

### NEUTRALITY

When you set up your study, you may have to make assumptions about the data you expect to collect. The results projected in the research design should be free from bias and neutral. Understand opinions about the final evaluated scores and conclusions from multiple individuals and consider those who agree with the derived results.

### RELIABILITY

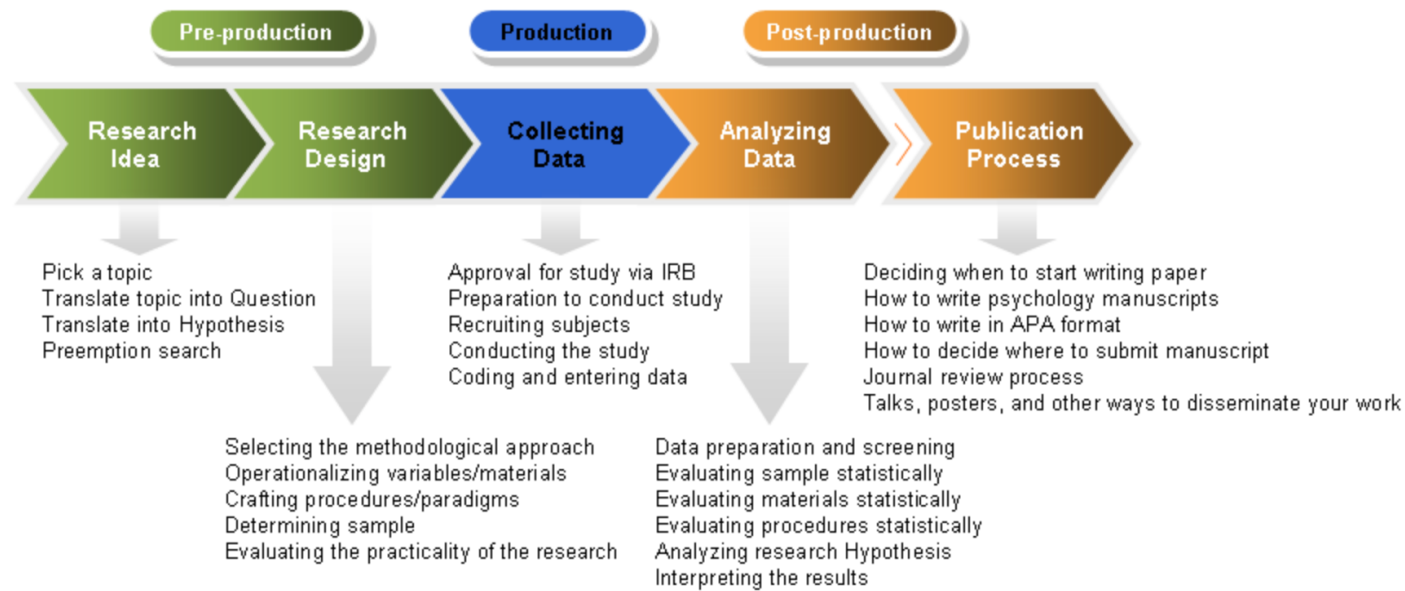
With regularly conducted research, the researcher involved expects similar results every time. Your design should indicate how to form research questions to ensure the standard of results. You'll only be able to reach the expected results if your design is reliable.

### VALIDITY

There are multiple measuring tools available. However, the only correct measuring tools are those which help a researcher in gauging results according to the objective of the research. The questionnaire developed from this design will then be valid.

### GENERALIZATION

The outcome of your design should apply to a population and not just a restricted sample. A generalized design implies that your survey can be conducted on any part of a population with similar accuracy.

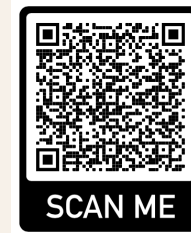


## RESEARCH DESIGN

**Qualitative research design:** determines relationships between collected data and observations based on mathematical calculations. Theories related to a naturally existing phenomenon can be proved or disproved using statistical methods. Researchers rely on qualitative research design methods that conclude "why" a particular theory exists along with "what" respondents have to say about it.



**Quantitative research design:** for cases where statistical conclusions to collect actionable insights are essential. Numbers provide a better perspective to make critical business decisions. Quantitative research design methods are necessary for the growth of any organization. Insights drawn from hard numerical data and analysis prove to be highly effective when making decisions related to the future of the business.



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**Descriptive:** describing the situation or case under their research study. It is a theory-based design method which is created by gathering, analyzing, and presenting collected data. This allows a researcher to provide insights into the why and how of research.



**Experimental:** establishes a relationship between the cause and effect of a situation. It is a causal design where one observes the impact caused by the independent variable on the dependent variable.



**Correlational:** a non-experimental research design technique that helps researchers establish a relationship between two closely connected variables. This type requires two different groups. There is no assumption while evaluating a relationship between two different variables, and statistical analysis techniques calculate the relationship between them.



**Diagnostic:** evaluate the underlying cause of a specific topic or phenomenon. This design has three parts of the research: Inception of the issue, Diagnosis of the issue, Solution for the issue



**Explanatory:** uses a researcher's ideas and thoughts on a subject to further explore their theories. The research explains unexplored aspects of a subject and details about what, how, and why of research questions.