

# ECPR Methods Café

## When & where

**Dates** Sunday 28 July &  
Sunday 4 August

**Time** 18:20 – 19:30

**Location** N15  
Ground floor café

**Please wear your ECPR  
lanyard to gain entry**

## What's on the menu?

The Methods Café brings together a broad range of Instructors who specialise in various methods and approaches. Its informal setting – a ‘café’ – provides a forum for one-to-one and group discussions in a non-intimidating environment. In particular, it's a great opportunity for doctoral students and junior scholars, as well as established researchers, who might be looking for help with any aspect of their research project, from design to execution to writing.

**Please attend only if you intend to participate in a discussion.**

## How is the Café set up?

Ten tables, headed up by Instructors specialising in particular methods and techniques. See the other side of this leaflet for details. Help yourself to a drink, and choose from the menu of topics to join. You can choose to spend all your time at one table, or move from place to place, as you wish.

## How do I find my way around the Café?

To help you navigate the space, we've posted maps around the café listing the topic for each table, along with a poster containing descriptions of each topic, pictures and biographies of the Instructors.

A host stands at the entrance, ready to help people figure out who is sitting where, to explain the process, and to hand you a list of table topics and specialists.

## What kind of questions should I ask?

Absolutely any methods related questions; for example:

*What is X method?*

*I'm in the midst of analysing my data and I've run into [describes a specific problem]. How should I handle it?*

*One of my committee members doesn't believe that X method is valid. How can I respond to this challenge?*

*I have a student who wants to do X method, but I have no training in that myself. What can I advise him or her?*

Don't worry that your query might seem too elementary – our Instructors welcome questions on anything about a method or approach, at any level!