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After Work Lectures

Shifts and Changes in Grounded Theory Method

Grounded Theory - Classic and Contemporary Versions

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We like to invite you to the exclusive After Work Lecture (AWOL) with Prof. Dr. Kathy Charmaz, PhD, Professor of Sociology, Sonoma State University, CA, USA.

The AWOL provides the extraordinary possibility to meet Prof. Dr. Kathy Charmaz here in Switzerland. Dr. Kathy Charmaz will present her findings about the contemporary versions of Grounded Theory methods. The classic version of Grounded Theory was developed in the 1967 by Glaser & Strauss and later refined by Corbin & Strauss. The contemporary version of Grounded Theory is based on the scientific findings of Prof. Dr. Charmaz.

According to her a constructivist Grounded Theory is "located in time, space, and circumstance, rather than general and separate from its origins, and aimed toward abstract understanding rather than explanation and prediction. Constructivists assume that (1) the researcher is a part of what he or she sees, not apart from it; (2) facts and values are connected, not separate; and (3) views are multiple and interpretive, not singular and self-evident" (Charmaz & Henwood, 2008).

The following subjects will be highlighted.

What does shifting the grounds do?

- Adopts a relativist epistemology
- Integrates recent methodological developments
- Challenges the assumption of creating general abstract theories
- Moves Grounded Theory further into interpretive research and theorizing
- Fosters renewal and revitalization of Grounded theory

What does re-viewing Grounded Theory mean?

- Grounded Theory is a method to study process. It is also a method **in** process
- Which Grounded Theory practices form the core of the method? To what extent is Grounded Theory a method of application or a method **for** innovation?
- What constitutes a Grounded Theory study?

We are very happy to welcome you to this unique after work lecture at the Institute of Nursing

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