

The Ethnography Circle

I've Collected My Data...Now What?

The Circle is a series of informal, multidisciplinary discussions which alternate presentations by leading ethnographers with group sessions where participants reflect on ethnographic research practices. Participation is open to Warwick students/faculty from all departments and is extended to students from other DTCs. This is the fifth edition of the event which is organized by the IKON research group and the PPI group at Warwick Business School.

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Second Meeting | Thursday 13th December Text Work: The Art of Story Telling in Ethnography

In the second session of the Circle, we will focus on text work in ethnography. Vignettes are still the primary way in which ethnographers bring their data to life in the text and hence they are a crucial part of ethnographic writing. In this session we will unpack vignettes, focusing both on text work in terms of building the vignette and the work that the vignette does for the larger ethnography.

For this session participants have to bring a vignette of their choice. For those who have data available, please bring vignettes from your dissertation, manuscripts or papers. For those who don't have vignettes available, please select a vignette from a paper in the literature. Each person will need to bring 3 copies of the vignette to the session.

When we work through the vignettes, here are some questions we will try and respond to during the session:

- Where is the data for the vignette coming from?
- What is the "work" done by the vignette?
- How do you fit the vignette in the text or where is it positioned?
- How long should a vignette be?
- When do you start and stop the story in the vignette?
- Can you use different "media" in or as a vignette? (for example conversation extracts, pictures etc.)

Please note, the vignette discussion will take place from 3pm-4:30pm. In the final 30 minutes we hope you can join us for mince pies and socialising.

**Seminar will be conducted between 3-5 pm, 13th at Wolfson
Research Exchange, Uni of Warwick, Library, CV4 7AL**

For information and to register please contact: ethnography@wbs.ac.uk

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free and open
to students
from other
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