UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# COURSE SYLLABUS

# Methodological Issues in Educational Research

**2627-120R-METHOD**

## Title

Methodological Issues in Educational Research

## Teacher(s)

Coordinators:
Prof. ssa Lucia Zannini (Università of Milan, Department of Biomedical Sciences for Health)
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Teachers:
Prof.ssa L. Zecca, University of Milan-Bicocca (8 hours)
Prof.ssa L. Formenti, University of Milan-Bicocca (4 hours)
Prof.ssa C. Palmieri, University of Milan-Bicocca (4 hours)
Prof.ssa M. Riva, University of Milan-Bicocca (4 hours)
Prof.ssa F. Zuccoli, University of Milan-Bicocca (4 hours)
Prof.ssa C. Bove, University of Milan-Bicocca (4 hours)
Prof. P. Ferri, University of Milan-Bicocca (4 hours)

## Language

English/Italian

## Short description

The course offers a basic methodological understanding of the diverse paradigms, approaches, methodologies and methods/instruments that are used in educational research. Each meeting is devoted to one or more research approach or projects, presented by colleagues from the Department, with a specific attention for qualitative and interpretative studies (e.g. phenomenological, ethnographic and action research methodologies), as well as mixed methods. The link between research questions, context and research design will be explored during the course. A critical and reflexive attitude will be required, as well as reading and analysing research papers. Due to the wideness of the topic, this can be only intended as an introductory and orientating course, and each student will need to reflect and position her/himself in relation to the methodology, and epistemology, of her/his choice.

## CFU / Hours

32 hours/4 cfu

## Teaching period

November 2025 - June 2026

## Sustainable Development Goals

QUALITY EDUCATION