Designing and Implementing Mixed Methods Research
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This workshop will explore the process of mixed methods research from the development of the research question and design, though implementation, to integration and reporting. Drawing on the methodological literature and experience implementing mixed methods research in education and health settings, Suzanne focuses on the core principles of mixed methods research as well as the practical challenges and supports for the effective development and delivery of mixed methods studies. The workshop will include sharing of frameworks for design, implementation and integration as well as opportunities to discuss ongoing projects and practical examples.

This workshop will be facilitated by Dr Suzanne Guerin, Associate Professor in Research design and Analysis with the School of Psychology at University College Dublin. Having completed her PhD at UCD she joined the staff team as a lecturer in 2000. A significant proportion of her teaching is in the area of applied psychology and research methods and she is involved in the delivery of modules at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. She supervises postgraduate research students on the MLitt and PhD programmes. She is Deputy Director of the UCD Centre for Disability Studies and jointly coordinates the MSc in Rehabilitation and Disability Studies.

Suzanne’s research interests include Applied Health and Wellbeing, Applied Research and Evaluation, and Teaching & Learning, and she is involved in a number of projects in these areas. She was awarded a UCD Fellowship in Teaching and Academic Development for 2011-2013. She was appointed by the National Federation of Voluntary Bodies, as their National Designated Expert in Research Methods in Intellectual Disability Research and has previously served as Interim Head of Research at the All Ireland Institute of Hospice and Palliative Care. In addition to her teaching and research activities she serves on a number of Boards and Committees in UCD and other organisations. She is Chair of the Board of the Tallaght West Childhood Development Initiative.