

Woodhill Park Research Retreat

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INTRODUCING QSR NVIVO 9.1

**A One day workshop for researchers, academics & Postgraduate Candidates
Saturday July 9th, 2011, 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.**

Workshop Overview

The recently introduced NVivo update, NV 9.1, is the most recent and powerful package to have been released by QSR. The upgrade has a range of new and improved features but especially useful is the improved ability to import PDF files for analysis. Notwithstanding this, NV 9.1 enables researchers to efficiently handle complex qualitative data so that they can more easily undertake intensive qualitative data analysis. NV 9.1 creates a flexible computer environment within which you can introduce, create, manage and explore ideas. The package allows video-clips, images, sound files, and rich text to be included as data along with datasets and bibliographic data (EndNote, Zotero or RefWorks). Video and sound can be transcribed and/or annotated within the software as a predicate to completing analysis. The programme includes a built-in modeller as well as facilities which enable researchers to create output charts and they can develop word trees and cloud tags which can facilitate the construction of in-depth literature reviews. I think that NV 9.1 is a premier tool for researchers and postgraduate candidates to access if they wish to undertake a qualitative or mixed methods study. For that reason alone, I'm happy to offer this one day workshop which will introduce you to this tool. But in order to participate, you must have a copy of the software installed on your laptop.

What to bring and what to tell us:

Bring your laptop. and postgraduate students, you should also encourage your supervisor to attend (for free). But remember, if your supervisor is able to attend, please, let us know so that we can cater appropriately.

We will also need your email address as we confirm all enrolments by email and when you email us, we will ask you to tell us a little bit about your contemplated use of the software so we can better incorporate your needs into the workshop. We will also ask you to tell us about special dietary requirements. Note that coffee will be served from 8.30 a.m. and there is plenty of free parking at the retreat. (For details about how to get there, [click here.](#))

Learning Outcomes:

During this workshop you will:

- Begin to appreciate how NV 9.1 can be a useful tool from the very beginning of the thesis journey;
- Create your own NVivo 9 research project and begin to learn how to navigate around that project;
- Create and import data including memos, rich text documents, video, sound bites, data sets and photos;
- Create 'nodes' for storing coded data, and begin to code portions of data at appropriate nodes;
- Perform searches within an NVivo project and, report the results of analysis in an appropriate manner.

Course Structure and Price

This workshop involves 'hands-on' learning and includes a mixture of facilitator-led instruction and independent learning. The cost for the day is \$225.00 plus GST and this includes morning and afternoon tea plus lunch.

Participants will need to bring their own lap top which must have a stand-alone copy of NVivo 9 or version NV 9.1 installed before arrival.

Class Size

This workshop will be restricted to eight participants. However, as a special concession we are happy to have a thesis supervisor attend with their student (providing they share a laptop), or vice versa, we are happy to have a student attend with his/her supervisor (providing they too share a laptop). In such instances, we need to know beforehand about the pair who will be attending and the understanding is that they will focus on the student's work.

9.00 – 10.30 a.m. Introductions and introducing NVivo 9.1:

- Introductions, expectations and ground-rules;
- Appreciating the strengths and limitations of qualitative computing with specific reference to thesis development;
- Beginning to understanding what NVivo 9.1 can do and identifying features which may have relevance to research and thesis work from the beginning to the end of the process.

10.30 – 10.50 Morning tea

10.50 – 12.30 Introducing sources

- How to import and manage a range of sources;
- How to create memos and links;
- Developing nodes and introducing cases and classifications.

12.30 – 1.15 Lunch

1.15 - 2.45 Beginning Coding and Searches:

- Coding, coding and coding on;
- Simple searches and ways of using and displaying findings;
- Marinating yourself in data, presenting findings to peers, supervisors and research project leaders, writing it up.

2.45 – 3.00 Walk and break

3.00 – 4.00 The relevance of this software for your research and thesis:

- When to begin and when to stop;
- How do you get your colleagues and/or supervisors up-to-speed?
- Trouble shooting and questions;
- The Woodhill Park Research Retreat and its community of scholars/researchers – open discussion including questions and commentary from some of those who continue to work with us.

To enrol for this workshop contact:

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