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3rd Session

Understanding Epistemology: A Guide to Justifying Research Methods and Ensuring Valid Knowledge

Given that research is a “a systematic process of discovery and advancement of human knowledge” (Gratton & Jones, 2010, p. 4), we should address the question of what knowledge is and how we discover and advance it (i.e., how we know what we claim to know). Epistemology, a branch of the philosophy of science, provides assumptions about knowledge and its development (Crotty, 1998). Generally, epistemology is divided into objectivism, constructionism (or constructivism), and subjectivism, based on the relationship between the subject (i.e., the researcher) and the object (i.e., the phenomenon of interest). Each position provides coherence and validity to the entire research process, including methodology, data collection and analysis, and implications (Crotty, 1998). Underestimating the importance of epistemology can lead to a lack of justification for chosen research methods, incorrect implications, and communication barriers between quantitative and qualitative researchers. In this workshop, therefore, I will provide an overview of epistemology and related philosophical positions and review previous papers published in major journals. By doing so, I will illustrate the path to achieving valid knowledge discovery and advancement through empirical research.

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