

# CAPOD Funding Report

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Event /Course Title	Hands on Qualitative Methods
Date of event	29/11/2017

## 1. Brief description of Event (50-100 words):

The course looked at different ways to analysis textual data – specifically news interviews and political speeches. It was aimed at ESRC funded PhD students so was also an opportunity to meet some of them. The course gave tips and tricks for looking at the ‘bigger picture’ of data, and the overall story/ narrative – this is useful for post PhD work within government and policy in particular.

## 2. What were the benefits of attending and what did you gain from the experience in terms of transferable skills and knowledge.

- Meeting other PhD students working on similar areas
- Tips to look at the bigger picture, put research/ work into wider context
- Confidence in qualitative analysis
- Looking at the overall narratives of texts/ policy documents etc.

## 3. What actions will you be taking as a result of attending or by making new networking contacts.

It was nice to meet some other students working in similar areas to myself across Scotland (health and social policy). I would also be more confident in analysing texts through use of narrative creation – both within and beyond my PhD

## 4. Can you share any additional resources produced in connection with the event (e.g. feedback from participants, training resources, website links, and additional materials.

I have powerpoint slides which I could share if useful

## 5. Tips/experience learned from the event

To look for the narratives within interviews/ speeches, as well as the distribution of power

## 6. Any additional comments or information regarding the event

It was really really useful and Ian Greener (Strathclyde) was a great trainer/ speaker. I would recommend him to others and if CAPOD wanted someone to come and talk about this type of analysis in house. He also has experience within policy and health more broadly.