

# EERA Summer School 2022



## Research Design from Scratch: Making sense of the whats, whos and hows of your investigation



11 – 15 July 2022

University of Porto, Portugal



The European Educational Research Association (EERA), the Centre for Research and Intervention in Education (CIIE) of the University of Porto, the Center for Research in Education (CIEd) of the University of Minho, the Research Centre on Didactics and Technology in the Education of Trainers (CIDTFF) of the University of Aveiro and the Adult Education and Community Intervention Research Centre (CEAD) of the University of Algarve, with the SPCE – Sociedade Portuguesa de Ciências da Educação (Portuguese Educational Research Association), are pleased to announce the 2022 EERA Summer School which will be held at the University of Porto, Portugal.

We warmly invite 60 - 70 doctoral students to apply to our five-day Summer School 11 – 15 July 2022 on the topic „Research design from scratch: Making sense of the whats, whos and hows of your investigation“.

The EERA Summer School 2022 aims to support doctoral students in their efforts to develop research from scratch: from an idea to a solid project. This implies understanding the process of research design as a framework – supported by theory and epistemology – that guides methodological decisions, ensuring that the evidence collected really answers the research questions. The Summer School will create spaces to share, discuss and debate, allowing emerging researchers to interact with each other and with more experienced researchers, taking their own ideas as the point of departure for collaborative joint learning regarding the practices, the problems and the challenges of research-in-the-making. Tutors will include members from the four research centers – CIIE, CIEd, CIDTFF and CEAD – as well as international researchers who will share their expertise and experiences on a wide range of educational and social issues across all education sectors, from early years to higher education and adult education.

EERA Summer School 2022 includes a four-day research experience programme in Porto, one of Portugal’s most beautiful and vibrant cities. CIIE (and the Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences of the University of Porto, where CIIE is hosted) is delighted to welcome doctoral students to join our dynamic research team. Combining academic rigour, research excellence and innovation, CIIE develops high-quality research on key issues of educational and social change, in order to broaden the role of education in promoting equity, inclusion and active citizenship.

The Summer School also includes a field trip to University of Minho, Braga. Visiting the University of Minho will allow participants to get in touch with educational research developed at the Center for Research in Education (CIEd). Interaction with senior researchers with experience in different research methodologies will provide the doctoral students valuable insights about the design of their own research projects. Sharing experiences and discussing with project coordinators and PhD supervisors in Educational Sciences will foster the development of a practical learning community.

The other participating research centres are CIDTFF, located at the Department of Education and Psychology of the University of Aveiro, with a mission anchored in the responsibility of research in education: to produce knowledge able to contribute to educated, qualified, and critical citizens, and to the creation of a better world; and CEAD, that aims to contribute to innovation through research and intervention in the field of adult education and promote a scientific culture adequate to the integration of younger researchers in the scientific community while building partnerships with civil society organizations and other entities in the field of adult education.

### Who can apply and what is needed?

Applicants are doctoral students who primarily come from or study in member countries of EERA. Their thesis must relate to educational research. Preferably, the participant should be a Ph.D. student in the first or second year of his/her studies in order to benefit the most from this summer school.

### The application process will include:

- Abstract of your research (objectives and research questions of your PhD project; conceptual framework; intended methodology, methods, instruments; conclusions, expected outcomes or findings; motivation; references)
- CV
- Letter of endorsement from a current or former supervisor or other senior staff member

Applications can be made online at <https://www.conftool.net/eerss2022/>

### Important Dates

**Application period:** 15 November 2021 - 31 January 2022  
**Information on acceptance:** 1 March 2022  
**Registration/payment:** 2 March - 15 April 2022  
**Summer School:** 11 - 15 July 2022

### Information and Contact

**For more information on the Summer School:**  
[www.eera-ecer.de/seasonschools/eera-summer-school-2022/](http://www.eera-ecer.de/seasonschools/eera-summer-school-2022/)  
**To apply to the Summer School:**  
<https://www.conftool.net/eerss2022/>  
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