

# Understanding Research Methods: a Portal for Students

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## Introduction

Launched in November 2021 as part of the *Fusion Learning Project*, *Understanding Research Methods* (URM) has been created to support BU students with the development of their research skills.

Located on Brightspace, available modules include fundamental, intermediate and advanced levels of research methods. Where appropriate, *Understanding Research Methods* also links to key library resources. Materials in each module have been created by BU colleagues from across the Faculties and the Professional Services.

## Badges

After using the research methods materials in each of the provided modules, students are offered the opportunity to undertake a quiz to gain a badge. Badges are only unlocked when students complete the relevant quiz with a mark of 100%. Whilst the quizzes are optional, many students really appreciate this element of their learning, and so earning the associated badge is important to them.

