Survey Design Clinic

Quick Reference

What is the Survey Design Clinic?

The Survey Design Clinic is a survey design consultation service. The Sociology Department and the Social & Economic Sciences Research Center (SESRC) have collaborated to form a place where WSU staff, faculty, and students can receive constructive and professional feedback on questions related to survey research.

How can I contact you?

You can visit our webpage at https://sesrc.wsu.edu/surveydesignclinic/ or email us at SESRC.SurveyClinic@wsu.edu

Monday: 10:30AM-12PM
Tuesday: 10:30AM-1:30PM
Wednesday: 9:00AM-10:30AM, 12:00PM-1:30PM, 3:00PM-4:30PM
Thursday: 12:00PM-3:00PM
Friday: by appointment only based on availability

How long does a consultation take?

Consultation sessions range from 10 minutes to an hour depending upon the topic discussed. Usually, in the first meeting, the consultant will ask you questions to get a clear picture of your survey research goals. Survey Design Clinic consultations are short term (1-3 sessions), clients often return for follow-up sessions, at the discretion of your consultant. In the event that your project might need extensive feedback, our consultants will be able to direct you to specific SESRC resources that may be offered at a fee.

Can I schedule an appointment ahead of time?

No, we are a walk-ins only service center. After your initial consultation, a consultant may follow-up with you depending on the nature of your survey research question. Please visit our website, https://sesrc.wsu.edu/design-clinic/, for updates on service center hours.

What results should I expect after a consultation?

Survey design consultants are not here to direct your research; they can offer you advice, guidelines, and feedback related to your specific survey design questions. Clients can use survey research advice at their own discretion.

What is IRB?

IRB stands for Institutional Review Board. The Institutional Review Board for Washington State University is responsible for reviewing and approving all research activities involving human subjects. All research activities involving human subjects conducted by any WSU faculty, staff and students must be reviewed by the IRB. Please visit the http://www.irb.wsu.edu/about.asp for all information and forms relating to the IRB process.
What is Qualtrics?

Qualtrics is an online survey software tool. WSU has a system-wide site license, making it available to all WSU faculty, staff and students. For question about how to get access to Qualtrics go to surveys.wsu.edu.

For questions about using Qualtrics, please call Qualtrics technical support at 1-800-340-9194 or via email at support@qualtrics.com.

Where can I get statistical help?

Please visit http://cahnrs.wsu.edu/ciser/ for information on statistical expertise at WSU.

How do I obtain a sample of WSU students?

There are various sources depending on your needs, we suggest you start at the WSU Registrar’s Office.