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Dr. Karcher’s work focuses on best practices in managing and sharing qualitative data, data curation, and the integration of technology into scholarly workflows. He is an active contributor to several scholarly open source projects, including Zotero and the Citation Style Language, and has taught widely on digital technology and data management. Sebastian holds a PhD in political science from Northwestern University and has published in both social science journals such as International Studies Quarterly and Socio-Economic Review and information science journals such as Nature Scientific Data, Data Science Journal, and IASSIST Quarterly.

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

This is a hands-on workshop on the management of qualitative social science and humanities data. Effective data management keeps information collected during the research process safe and secure and, where ethically and legally feasible, makes it easier to share such information with other researchers. Providing documentation on data management (i.e. “data management plans,” DMPs) is now a common requirement for research grants across all disciplines. We will work through the different stages of the research cycle, from project conception to project completion and potential data sharing (which poses particular challenges for qualitative data), and think about potential challenges and solutions based on participants’ projects. The workshop will include exercises throughout. As part of the workshop, participants will create an initial draft of a data management plan for their own research project.

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