

Narrative Research

- Research on lives of individuals
- In story form
- Researcher collects stories
- Researcher writes stories
- Micro-analytic unlike ethnography that is focused on groups and systems
- Focused on learning about an individual rather than forming a theory as in grounded theory development
- There are many forms of narratives → Figure 16.1 Pg 523

Essential Characteristics of Narrative Research According to Creswell

- Who is the author of the story?
 - Biography
 - Autobiography
- How much of life is recorded and presented?
 - Life history
 - Personal experience
- Who provides the story?
 - Teacher stories
 - Student stories
- Theoretical lens
 - Used
 - Not used

Key Characteristics of Narrative Research

- Focus on individual experiences
- Reporting a chronology of experiences
- Collect stories
- Researcher restories the stories
- Coding for themes
- Describe setting or context
- Collaborate with participants