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**Conference Attended:** Qualitative Research Analysis Masterclass April 20-24<sup>th</sup> 2015, Location: University of Maastricht, the Netherlands

The opportunity to attend this Qualitative Research Masterclass at the University of Maastricht was extremely important – and timely – in my research work. The importance of qualitative research in medical education is underpinned by the need for systematic and robust research methods in order to translate findings and research outcomes to medical education practice.

This week-long masterclass is hosted by the School of Health Professions Education and led by international experts in qualitative research methods. Participants were from all over the world and the course design facilitated the analysis of our own research in a supportive and often entertaining environment. It even involved homework – a real 'back-to-school' experience!

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