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Fieldwork methods

Our typological generalizations are based to a large extent on data gained through fieldwork. As fieldworkers, we have a whole array of different fieldwork methods at our disposal, each with their own strengths and weaknesses, and each resulting in different data types that can be used for different purposes.

This course will give an introduction to different fieldwork methods, covering techniques of data collection, of further processing the primary data, and of making the processed data available to others. It combines both practical and theoretical aspects in that it introduces different techniques and reflects on their advantages, disadvantages and theoretical underpinnings.