



SIG 9 Phenomenography and Variation Theory

Dear SIG9 members and friends,

A warm hello from your new SIG 9 coordinators! We are excited to have the opportunity to continue and build on the fantastic work of the previous coordinators. Our vision is to grow our community and extend the SIG further, promoting collaboration, knowledge exchange and relationships between all our members. We believe this is an exciting time for the SIG with the research being applied in new and exciting areas of education around the globe, as showcased at the Gothenburg conference earlier this year. We look forward to meeting and working with you all.

Mike, Ann-Sofie & Will

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SIG9 Conference: Save the date

We are pleased to announce that our SIG 9 conference will take place on **24th – 26th August 2022** at Stockholm University in Sweden.

We will soon send out details with key dates leading up to the conference, as well as details for the conference theme and submitting abstracts. We look forward to welcoming you all to Stockholm next year.



Social Media

As part of extending our community and sharing news and research, please follow us on social media. Please tag us in your news and posts or DM us if you have any events that you want to promote.

We are on Twitter - click the link to see us [@EalriSig9](https://twitter.com/EalriSig9)

We will be launching a new SIG 9 Instagram account next month. More details will be coming soon.



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PhD Course: Phenomenographic Horizons



Gothenburg University offers a PhD course on Phenomenography next semester (April-December): "Phenomenographic Horizons". The course will study phenomenography as it has emerged as an empirical research approach to issues involving student learning and understanding, looking at both its origins and its evolution. Variation theory, building as it does on phenomenographic studies, will be studied through the literature, anchored in the empirical research and other contributing theoretical groundings. The course participants will be expected to use their research interest as starting point for writing about a phenomenography/variation theory study design, as well as engage in joint sample analysis of empirical data.

The course includes several video recorded lectures by established scholars such as Ference Marton, Shirley Booth, Åke Ingerman, Ulla Runesson Kempe, Ingrid Pramling Samuelsson, Camilla Björklund and Angelika Kullberg. Course leaders are Åke Ingerman and Angelika Kullberg.

PhD-students can apply here (The online course is free of charge):
<https://fubasdoc.gu.se/fubasextern/info?kurs=FOU1810>

Call for Research and Events

We would love to feature our community as much as possible in this newsletter and in our social media. Please send us your news stories, recently completed PhD thesis, publications, research grants or any events that members could be interested in. We can feature these to promote the SIG community and allow you to network with other SIG members. Please send anything you have to one of the coordinators.

Key dates:

- November 2022: Launch of SIG9 Instagram
- April – December 2022: PhD Online Course: *Phenomenographic Horizons*
- 18th -22nd July 2022: JURE Conference, Porto
- 24th – 26th August 2022: SIG9 Conference, Stockholm

How to join us – Membership of the SIG9

If you are not yet a member of the SIG you can make a big difference to the development of the SIG by joining. If you are already an EARLI member you can sign up for the SIG at any time. It only costs €8.

By showing your support for the SIG through becoming a SIG member you increase the profile of the SIG within EARLI. EARLI regularly reviews membership numbers for the SIGs and the more members we have, the more the future of the SIG is safeguarded. Go to <https://earli.org/join> to sign up!



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