

**Brendan Read**  
Institute for Social and Economic Research  
University of Essex  
Colchester, CO4 3SQ  
07806 353642  
Email: bread@essex.ac.uk

## Research experience

### Research Officer - Understanding Society

April 2018 - Present

ISER, University of Essex, Colchester

- Designing survey weights for a linked data set of Innovation Panel data and FCA data.
- Specifying and testing questionnaire content for access panel experiments on consent to date linkage.
- Deriving paradata indicators for access panel experiments on consent to date linkage.

### Survey Consultant – SAGE Campus

July 2018 – January 2018

SAGE Publishing, London

- Produced a survey specification outlining questionnaire content and wording.
- Programmed the survey using the Survey Monkey platform.
- Produced a report with recommendations for development of the SAGE Campus platform.

### Research Officer - Understanding Society

March 2016 - September 2016

ISER, University of Essex, Colchester

- Prepared data sets for an online service designed to highlight *Understanding Society* data.
- Identified variables of interest for a project related to data linkage for education data.
- Researched potential content for inclusion in subsequent waves of *Understanding Society*.

### Linked Studentship - Understanding Society

October 2016 - Present

ISER, University of Essex, Colchester

- Produced paper questionnaires for the *Understanding Society* Spending Study 1.
- Cleaned and arranged datasets for the *Understanding Society* Spending Study 1.
- Involved in the testing and specification of the *Understanding Society* Spending Study 2.

## Education

### PhD -Survey Methodology

Expected: Winter 2019

ISER, University of Essex, Colchester

Provisional thesis title: *'The implications of new technologies of data collection in a household panel survey.'*

Supervisors: Annette Jäckle & Tarek Al Baghal

### MSc - Survey Methods for Social Research - Pass with Distinction

September 2016

Sociology & ISER, University of Essex, Colchester

Thesis title: *'An examination of differential panel conditioning, dependent on respondent characteristics.'*

Supervisor: Peter Lynn

Awards: Fuller Postgraduate Prize - Highest weighted mark in the Sociology department (2015-2016).

### BA – Sociology – First Class Honors

July 2015

Sociology, University of Essex, Colchester

Awards: Dean's list for the faculty of Social Sciences (2014); Academic Excellence Scholarship (2012-2015).

## Journal articles

**Read, B.** (in press) 'Respondent burden in a mobile app: evidence from a shopping receipt scanning study.' *Survey Research Methods*.

**Read, B.** (unpublished) 'The influence of device characteristics on data collection using a Mobile App.' Submitted as an *Understanding Society* working paper.

## Conferences

**Read, B.** (2018) 'How do different device specifications affect data collection using mobile devices?', Poster presented at the 8th NCRM Research Methods Festival, Bath.

**Read, B.** (2017) 'Examining respondent burden within the context of alternative methods of data collection.' Poster Session at the 7th ESRA conference, Lisbon.

**Read, B.** (2017) 'An examination of differential panel conditioning, dependent on respondent characteristics.' Panel Conditioning Session at the 7th ESRA conference, Lisbon.

## Other experience

**Graduate Laboratory Assistant** *October 2018 – December 2018*

Teaching duties: SC504: Introduction to Quantitative Analysis.

**Instructor** *November 2018*

Assisted in delivering the courses: *Introduction to Understanding Society using Stata* and *Using Neighbourhood Data in Understanding Society*.

**Convenor** *July 2018*

Delivered a workshop entitled *Introduction to the Innovation Panel* as part of the 2nd Methodology of Longitudinal Surveys conference.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant** *September 2017 – May 2018*

Teaching duties: SC101: Researching Social Life I

## Additional Training

Multilevel Models: Practical Applications *July 2018 – August 2018*  
51st Essex Summer School

Introduction to Stata Programming *January 2018 - February 2018*  
Stata Net Course

Question Testing Methods *March 2017*  
The Survey Coach

Introduction to coaching *October 2015 - September 2016*  
ILM/University of Essex

## Statistical software

Advanced – Stata.  
Intermediate - R, MLwiN.  
Basic - Python, SPSS.