

Claire's Recipe for Researcher Identity Development

This recipe was created to outline how Claire realized her individuality as a researcher while working with Donna Knowles, her research assistantship supervisor.

Ingredients:

- previous research experience
- 1 research task
- 1 supportive research assistantship supervisor and mentor
- 3 computers, with qualitative analysis software installed

Directions:

1. Combine all ingredients together in a computer lab until a smooth mixture of ability and understanding is created. Slowly nurture the mixture over several weeks until a feeling of confidence emerges.

Please note the following variations of Claire's recipe:

- a) I have worked as a researcher before.
- b) As a researcher, I have created questionnaires and designed everything on it.
- c) As a researcher, I had never used computer software for qualitative research
- d) I feel like a researcher when I sit with Donna doing the coding on qualitative research analysis software.

