**References from Diana on ontological ‘turns’ in other disciplines:**

Education policy

<https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/0d0d/7ff7b01e4daed1fc14b54191964076d6581f.pdf>

Ontologically speaking, there are multiple realities constructed by actors of research.

Thus they argue that research is grounded on a relativist ontology which rejects the existence of any possible correct reality.

On an epistemological level, they reflect Smith’s ( 1983) contention that the inquirer

takes a subject-subject posture whereas facts and values are inextricably linked. Hence, since the knower and the known are inseparable, research is value-bound.

My defense for the onthological position is rooted in a constructivist theory.

Qualitative research in general?

<http://www.qualitative-research.net/index.php/fqs/article/view/2764/4131>

What do I believe underpins my knowledge of life? Where did I gain this belief? How does this belief influence the way I react to situations and people? How do the assumptions, which I have accumulated from my life experiences, affect my reflexivity in my research? This article describes the process that I have used to reveal my position in relation to the data using examples from my autoethnography.

<https://www.sagepub.com/sites/default/files/upm-binaries/34087_Chapter1.pdf>

A holistic approach explicitly integrates ontology, epistemology, methodology, and method, and can be

thought of as a nexus—the research nexus. In other words, a holistic approach requires researchers not to disavow their underlying belief systems but rather to examine how their ontological and epistemological perspectives impact methodology.

The framing of research questions is linked to the research purpose in a particular study. There are three primary research purposes: (1) exploratory, (2) descriptive, and (3) explanatory. Exploratory research seeks to investigate an area that has been underresearched. The data garnered is preliminary data that helps shape the direction of future research.

Theatre/performance studies

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/10137548.2018.1425527>

<https://www.jstor.org/stable/432328?seq=1#page_scan_tab_contents>

**Anthropology and ontology**

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ontological_turn>

Martin Holbraad talking about the ‘ontological’ turn in anthropology - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c-SQBe-V7Jw>

(One of the big theorists in contemporary ‘ontological’ approaches’

Tim Ingold

(totally other ‘ontological’ approach)

<https://www.cmi.no/publications/6070-beyond-cultural-relativism>

<https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/10.1086/698315>