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Becoming a qualitative inquirer requires courage, especially in today's metrified, neoliberal, 'businessified' academy. We are admired for thinking differently but are often met with concern and trepidation. We are celebrated for trailblazing a scholarly path for ourselves but persistently frowned upon for going against the grain. More concerningly, while many academicians advocate for the need for more qualitative research, interested novices may struggle to locate where to start. As Higgs and McAllister (2001) once wrote, "Novice researchers often get lost in the literature on interpretive [qualitative] research. It's conceptually dense, can be conceptually foreign, and has conflicting use of terminology" (p. 34). Such confusion is well-warranted, and this workshop aims to

confront these misconceptions.

In this most recent Rise & Grind, Dr. Kai-Sean Lee guided us to confront dangerous misconceptions about qualitative inquiry by identifying the different qualitative methodologies across philosophical terrains. Dr. Lee discussed how different qualitative methodologies pursue depth by exploring how methods differ across qualitative methodologies. Watch Qualitative Horizons: Confronting Dangerous Misconceptions.