

# Reading list - webinar

Unlocking Effective Evaluation: An introduction to quasi-experimental designs: causal evaluation methodologies without randomisation

## Webpages

- Quasi-experimental designs

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Quasi-experimental design - Research Methods Knowledge Base, conjointly.com, viewed 16 March 2022,  
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Counterfactual theories of Causation, Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy, viewed 16 March 2022,  
<https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/causation-counterfactual/>

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[https://www.unicef-irc.org/KM/IE/img/downloads/Quasi-Experimental\\_Design\\_and\\_Methods\\_ENG.pdf](https://www.unicef-irc.org/KM/IE/img/downloads/Quasi-Experimental_Design_and_Methods_ENG.pdf)

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