

Abstract

The Study of "Ethnography in Sociology" was aimed at studying 3 objectives. First, to understand history and progress of ethnography in sociology. Second, to understand the flowering of diversity phenomena that happened with ethnography in sociology. Third, to studying about debates in ethnography that associated with flowering of diversity phenomena.

The study found, First, ethnography in sociology has its unique history and progress that difference from ethnography in anthropology. Because it has difference philosophical/theoretical roots. and hence make ethnography in sociology has its unique identity. Second, ethnography in sociology has become fashionable in various areas due to the debates within sociology between qualitative research and quantitative research and critical issues from outside such as Postmodernism. Third, debates among sociological ethnographers about the flowering of diversity phenomena can be analyzed at 2 levels; epistemological and methodological levels. On the epistemological ground the debate is between subjectivism and constructionism about access and represent reality. Concerning the methodology, there are 3 major debates. First is the debate about future of ethnography in sociology. The second debate is about ethnographers, "field" , wheather the natural setting is the only 'field' the ethnographers can/must conduct their research. The Last debate is the presentation the ethnographers in their writing, can or can not ethnographers speak about themselves?.