COURSE DETAIL

GENDER, LAW, AND LEGAL CULTURE

Country

Denmark

Host Institution

University of Copenhagen

Program(s)

University of Copenhagen

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Legal Studies

UCEAP Course Number

145

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

GENDER, LAW, AND LEGAL CULTURE

UCEAP Transcript Title

GENDER LAW & LEGAL

UCEAP Quarter Units

12.00

UCEAP Semester Units

8.00

Course Description

This course studies the interrelationship between gender, law, and legal culture. Addressing issues of gender underlines the importance of status in the contemporary world as it is reflected in community norms and state and international law, as well as in traditions and religions which stress the importance of gender and sexuality. Addressing the concept and understanding of legal cultures underlines a context different from the state, such as in intimate relations, spiritual communities or in economic relations including workplace and the market. The course seeks to increase the awareness of intersections between gender and culture in contemporary legal practices, and to research how both concepts meet, cooperate, compete, and change in these processes. The course seeks to improve the understanding of normative forces beyond state law and of their relevance and impact on both individuals and groups and the different and overlapping contexts they operate within. This course addresses many areas of legal and broader cultural practice where considerations of gender are typically omitted as traditionally taught in legal education, including newer twentyfirst century concerns. These include reflections on: the role of authority and institutions on gendering legal decisions, the notion of gendered criminality, the influence on linguistic choices on judgments, the role of new technology and digital life on law and gender, gender minorities and the law, the legal responses to inter-generational responsibility, climate change and gender, the gendered family and work place, gender, law, culture and religion, gender and asylum gender and trans-national legal culture, postcolonialism, globalization, and international law. The course arms students with a point of view to not envision gender as a buzzword but as a social practice with legal effects. In this way it looks to develop young lawyers to not just consider gender as a side note, but as an avenue to approach the law and produce adequate and empowered institutions.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

JJUA55254U

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Campus
Law

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Law

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