

COURSE DETAIL

GENDER AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Country

Sweden

Host Institution

Uppsala University

Program(s)

Uppsala University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Women's & Gender Studies Economics Development Studies

UCEAP Course Number

105

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

GENDER AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

UCEAP Transcript Title

GENDER & ECON DEV

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course examines development economics with a feminist lens. It describes how economic growth and economic development have differential impacts on men, women, intersectional groups, and on gender equality. Based on theoretical perspectives from feminist economics and on human development, the course describes and assess the impact of policy solutions and aid projects. The course introduces concept of gender in general and in relation to the development discourse in particular. It describes how policy has moved from women in development to gender and development and the emergence of post-colonial feminist approaches. Main features of mainstream development economics are contrasted with feminist economics. Labor market and employment is discussed in relation to concepts such as productive/reproductive and formal/informal, with an emphasis on the relevance of these concepts for the global south in particular. Various indicators of economic inequalities are presented and gender disaggregated data is introduced to enhance the understanding of concepts such as the feminization of poverty and multidimensional poverty both theoretically and empirically. A social provisioning approach to the gender dimension of economic life is discussed. The course deepens the understanding of the underlying power structures of economic and gender inequalities. It brings in the broader concept of human development and capability approaches. It discusses ways of conceptualizing and practically working with critical perspectives on men and masculinities in economic development. This course discusses and problematizes the relationship between economic growth and gender equality: to what extent does economic growth impact on gender equality? Does gender equality spur economic development? The course looks at more practical policy solutions to the problem and brings up policies, methods, and strategies for reducing gender inequalities. It gives a short theoretical background to each of the strategies. Examples of strategies that are discussed include women's movements, gender mainstreaming, gender budgeting, micro-credits, and corruption.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

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