COURSE DETAIL

GENDER AND CULTURE
Country Japan
Host Institution Waseda University
Program(s) Waseda University
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s)
UCEAP Course Number 110
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title GENDER AND CULTURE
UCEAP Transcript Title GENDER AND CULTURE
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description
This course introduces the idea of intersectionality in gender studies— in which the starting point is the idea that gender itself is largely a cultural construction and a phenomenon that intersects with other cultural constructs that societies have about race, age, nationality, body, sexuality, desire, ability, privilege, power, science and many other discourses. Indeed, gender is embedded so deeply in nearly everything we do and think that it is quite difficult to become conscious of the ways in which we literally gender our world and create hierarchies that empower some people and marginalize others. This course lends an awareness of how studying gender is essential to understanding society and making meaningful change in the world, and offers tools and language to analyze and critique gender and power in everyday life. "Gender Studies" itself is a very broad field—the approach we take is built on feminism, masculinities studies, and queer studies, and thus focus is especially on equality and being inclusive. Throughout the course, themes of bias, equality, hegemony, marginalization and minorities, social justice and human rights are examined. We also look especially at how gender studies is useful in thinking about Japanese history and histories of the larger Pacific and Asia region. Assessment: attendance and participation, 3 short essays, midterm, final.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
CMFC221L

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