COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO GENDER STUDIES

Country
Netherlands

Host Institution
Leiden University College

Program(s)
Leiden University College

UCEAP Course Level
Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Women's & Gender Studies Sociology

UCEAP Course Number
3

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
INTRODUCTION TO GENDER STUDIES

UCEAP Transcript Title
INTRO:GENDERSTUDIES

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

In what ways does gender play a role in our daily lives and in our societies? How are understandings and performances of gender and sexuality shaped by discourses and how do they inflect discourses in turn? How have perceptions of gender been changing and how do they vary across cultures and places? How do material factors and emotions interact with discourses in shaping gender? And, finally, how can gender be approached in a variety of manifestations and connect theory to practice?

The course addresses these and related questions by providing an overview of 'classical' and contemporary theorizations of gender as well as looking at some differences in defining gender issues and shaping gender politics. Students look into the history of debate about gender and sexuality, and the key definitions developed by feminist critics. This includes engaging with ways of 'doing' femininity and masculinity and constructing gendered identity at the interface of race and sex. Students focus on some contributions of gender theory to the larger field of critical humanities and social sciences. Students are introduced to a variety of materials from texts and film, mass and new media, everyday practices, and international policies, as well as interdisciplinary approaches to working with different types of data.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty
Governance and Global Affairs

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Culture, History & Society

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