

# COURSE DETAIL

## PHILOSOPHY OF SEX AND GENDER

**Country**

Taiwan

**Host Institution**

National Taiwan University

**Program(s)**

National Taiwan University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology

**UCEAP Course Number**

105

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

PHILOSOPHY OF SEX AND GENDER

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

PHIL SEX&GENDER

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

## Course Description

This course familiarizes students with some of the debates about the nature of sex and gender as they have evolved since the publishing of Simone De Beauvoir's *The Second Sex*. In this book, Beauvoir famously argued that, while women may be born the members of a distinct sex, "one is not born, but becomes a woman." In its wake, the book's readers were left to grapple with the question of the meaning and significance of this bold assertion. This course seeks to answer the following questions: To what extent do anatomy and biology determine one's disposition or sexual orientation? Can we talk about "normal" female or male behavior? Is it advantageous to define women in opposition to men? How does sex relate to sexuality? Is there such a thing as sexuality to begin with?

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

Phl3827

### Host Institution Course Title

PHILOSOPHY OF SEX AND GENDER

### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

College of Liberal Arts

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Philosophy

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