

GENDER STUDIES (GEND)

GEND-116

Introduction to Women's Studies

3 UNITS

3.0 hours lecture

This is an interdisciplinary course utilizing social science methods and approaches to examine women's roles and experiences related to a range of issues affecting women of diverse backgrounds. Students will explore the history of women's rights movements, women's roles in social movements, feminisms, and Women's Studies through a variety of topics/concepts such as: social construction of gender, systemic inequality, gender and the body, representation in media and culture, patriarchy, masculinity, health and reproductive justice, gender and violence, education, paid and unpaid labor, and family structures. Topics will be examined with an emphasis on how gender intersects with race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, sexuality, culture, dis/ability, age, religion, etc. (CSU) (AA/AS-D, CSU-D)

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Introduction to LGBTQ Studies

3 UNITS

3.0 hours lecture

This interdisciplinary course introduces students to a broad range of historical and contemporary lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex and asexual (LGBTQIA+) issues in various contexts, including bio-medical, sociological, political, racial, and sexual. Topics include the politics, policy, and governance of LGBT issues; social movements and resistance; biological and environmental impacts on identity, equity, equality, and inclusion; privilege and disadvantage; queer activism; diverse experiences of gender and sexuality; and representations in literature, art, and popular culture. Topics will be examined with an emphasis on how sexual identity and gender identity intersect with race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, culture, dis/ability, age, religion, etc. (CSU) (AA/AS-D, CSU-D)