

131-432 Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 2-hour seminar per week. Total Time Commitment: 2 contact hours/week, 8 additional hours/week. Total of 10 hours per week.
Prerequisites:	Admission to fourth-year honours or the postgraduate diploma in history or gender studies or the first year of the two-year Master of Development Studies (Gender and Development), or permission of the subject coordinator.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	<p><p>For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.</p> <p>It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and Student Equity and Disability Support: http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</p></p>
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Subject Overview:	This subject surveys recent developments in feminist theory and feminist methodology within a cross-cultural context. It explores issues involved in present-day debates about feminist epistemology and knowledge, including debates surrounding the relationship between western and other feminisms, debates between liberal, socialist and radical feminists; and the contributions of postcolonial feminists and queer theorists. It explores key feminist issues such as public and private, family, the body, self, subjectivities, sexualities, citizenships and the interconnections of race and gender, global and local identity politics. The implications of cross-cultural analysis of gender for feminist methodology and method research are explored through consideration of techniques of textual analysis, analysis of visual materials, feminist criticism, interviewing, and archival research.
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # show an advanced understanding of the changing knowledge base in the specialist area; # be able to evaluate and synthesise the research and professional literature in the discipline; # have an appreciation of the design, conduct and reporting of original research.
Assessment:	A research essay 3000 words 60% (due mid semester) and a literature review assignment of 2000 words 40% (due at the end of semester).
Prescribed Texts:	None
Recommended Texts:	A subject reader will be available from the bookshop at the start of semester
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.

Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # demonstrate research skills through competent use of the library and other information sources; # demonstrate critical thinking and analysis through class presentation, participation, and completion of a research essay. # show understanding of social, ethical and cultural context through the contextualisation of judgements, developing a critical self-awareness, being open to new ideas and possibilities and by constructing an argument.
Related Course(s):	<p>Master of Arts (Asian Societies) Master of Development Studies (Gender & Development) Master of Development Studies(CWT) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts(Development Studies)</p>
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	<p>Anthropology Anthropology and Social Theory Development Studies Development Studies Development Studies Gender Studies Gender Studies Gender Studies Indonesian Indonesian Social Theory Social Theory Social Theory</p>