

POL20011 The Politics of Sex

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| Credit Points: | 12.5 |
| Level: | 2 (Undergraduate) |
| Dates & Locations: | 2016, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. |
| Time Commitment: | Contact Hours: Thirty contact hours per semester. 1 x two hour lecture and 1 x one hour tutorial per week for 10 weeks. The lecture and tutorial programs are staggered and cover the 12 weeks of semester. Total Time Commitment: Total of 170 hours |
| Prerequisites: | None |
| Corequisites: | None |
| Recommended Background Knowledge: | Politics and International Studies or Gender Studies or Sociology at Level 1 |
| 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 introduces ideas developed in feminist theory about the social and political construction of areas of experience relating to the body, gender and sexuality. Issues analysed in the subject include transsexualism, reproduction, eating disorders, pornography, sex work, sexual violence and sexual orientation. Students who complete this subject should be able to understand the ways in which issues connected with the body and sexuality are socially and politically constructed, understand the ways in which the construction of masculinity and femininity affects the learning and regulation of such areas of experience, and apply a variety of feminist approaches to the analysis of these issues. |
| Learning Outcomes: | <p>On completion of this subject students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Be able to show understanding of key concepts in feminist political theory; # Be able to use these concepts to critically analyse issues; # Be able to explain the ways in which issues connected with the body and sexuality are socially and politically constructed; # Be able to demonstrate qualitative research skills, drawing upon empirical and theoretical scholarship in the social and political sciences. |
| Assessment: | A research essay of 2000 words (50%) due mid-semester. A research essay of 2000 words (50%) due in the examination period. Hurdle requirement: Students must attend a minimum of 75% of tutorials in order to pass this subject. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject. Regular participation in tutorials is required. Note: Assessment submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 10% per working day. In-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked. |

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| Prescribed Texts: | A subject reader will be available. |
| Breadth Options: | <p>This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Bachelor of Biomedicine (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2016/B-BMED) # Bachelor of Commerce (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2016/B-COM) # Bachelor of Environments (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2016/B-ENVS) # Bachelor of Music (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2016/B-MUS) # Bachelor of Science (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2016/B-SCI) # Bachelor of Engineering (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2016/B-ENG) <p>You should visit learn more about breadth subjects (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p> |
| Fees Information: | Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees |
| Notes: | Available as a Breadth subject to non-Bachelor of Arts students. |
| Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations: | <p>Gender Studies Graduate Certificate in Arts - Gender Studies Graduate Certificate in Arts - Politics and International Studies Graduate Certificate in Arts - Sociology Graduate Diploma in Arts - Gender Studies Graduate Diploma in Arts - Politics and International Studies Graduate Diploma in Arts - Sociology Political Science Major Politics and International Studies Sociology</p> |