

DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND EDUCATION

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2017

SO3010 (A3): Sociology of Gender – 3 (3-0-0) 45 Hours for 15 Weeks

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OFFICE HOURS: 11:30-1pm Tuesday and Thursday; by appointment; drop-ins welcome

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: An inquiry into contemporary and historical concepts, assumptions, and expressions of gender, and their political, personal, cultural, and social implications.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE(S): SO1000

REQUIRED TEXT(S)/RESOURCE MATERIALS: 2017. Kimmel, M. & Holler, J. The Gendered Society. Second Canadian Edition.

DELIVERY MODE(S): Class and Group Discussion, Lectures, Film Analyses

COURSE OBJECTIVES: This course takes a critical approach to two main questions: a) why does it appear as though 'every society' differentiates people based on gender, and b) why is virtually every society based on male dominance. Through exploring these questions at multiple registers students will be able to clearly articulate how individual, social and cultural practices reproduce and reinforce gender inequality – with an eye towards what might be possible.

<u>NOTE:</u> This course will examine a wide scan of sexual thought, philosophy, fantasy, portrayal, cultural viewpoints and personal understanding, and general behavior. The premise of this course is not to communicate truth or confirm authority of information, but to foster inquiry. If you are easily offended, please reconsider taking part in this course.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Use particular theories to address aspects of sexual life in our or other societies. Integrate historical information about gender by asking questions about contemporary phenomena evident in social experiences. Employ sociology to analyze the politics of current debates regarding gender, law, social policy, and culture.

TRANSFERABILITY: UA, UC, UL, AU, Concordia UC, & KUC

*Warning: Although we strive to make the transferability information in this document up-to-date and accurate, the student has the final responsibility for ensuring the transferability of this course to Alberta Colleges and Universities. Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at Alberta Transfer Guide main page http://www.transferalberta.ca or, if you do not want to navigate through few links, at http://alis.alberta.ca/ps/tsp/ta/tbi/onlinesearch.html?SearchMode=S&step=2

** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions.

Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability

EVALUATIONS:

- Academic assignments for this course emphasize synthesis of ideas from a sociological standpoint, and the best questions you can think of to advance that synthesis.
- Analysis does not mean just reporting what others have said on a topic.
- These assignments are philosophical, analytical inquiries that advance through your and others` ideas and investigations.
- Deciding what questions are worth raising is an important part of analysis.
- Conclusions are valuable but aren't obligatory for assignments.

How your grade is calculated?

- 20% Lead class discussion and engage in conversations
- 20% 3 Articles = 1 Abstract 1000 words, Thinking like an editor
- 30% Paper 1, 8 scholarly references, 2000words
- 30% Final Paper, 8 scholarly references, 2000words

Please Note For All Assignments:

Grades will be reduced by one letter grade if the assignment is less than minimum length. Grammar is important for precise communication. While not valued as highly as content, poor grammar can affect your mark for the assignment. All written/project assignments are subject to lateness penalties of one grade level per calendar day beyond the due date. All written assignments must be sent by email, to my college account: alozowy@gprc.ab.ca, you must include the word 'assignment' in the subject line. Indicate your name, course number (and section if I am teaching more than one of your course). Also, state clearly in the subject box which assignment it is.

GRADING CRITERIA:

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less** than **C**-.

Alpha Grade	4-point	Percentage	Alpha	4-point	Percentage
	Equivalent	Guidelines	Grade	Equivalent	Guidelines
A+	4.0	90-100	C+	2.3	67-69

Α	4.0	85-89	С	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84	C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79	D+	1.3	55-59
В	3.0	73-76	D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72	F	0.0	00-49

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE: DISCUSSION SEQUENCE:

- 1 Humans, the species
- 2 Biological constructs
- 3 Psychoanalysis
- 4 Global genders
- 5 Social Construction
- 6 Family
- 7 Education
- 8 Work
- 9 Media
- 10 Intimacies
- 11 The Body
- 12 Desire
- 13 Violence

Please Note:

Date and time allotted to each topic is subject to change. It is your responsibility as a student to contact the Office of the Registrar to complete the forms for Withdrawal or Change of Registration, and any other forms. Please refer to the list of important dates as noted in the Academic Schedule in the GPRC Credit Calendar.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

University courses provide the best intellectual and perhaps social experience, when students arrive prepared for the day's work. My classes are heavily discussion -oriented and therefore require commitment from students.

- 1. Read assignments.
- 2. Participate in class conversation about the material.
- 3. Complete all written work.
- 4. Indicate on submitted material your name; section and course number; and which assignment is being sent to me.
- 5. All written work must be sent via email to alozowy@gprc.ab.ca. You MUST use the word 'assignment' in the subject line.
- 6. Electronic Devices: People who must have contact with others during class time may leave their cell phones on 'vibrate', and leave the room if a response is required. Otherwise, texting or use of phones will result in you having to miss that particular class.

- 7. Attendance at lectures is strongly encouraged, as is your participation in class discussions.
- 8. A missed exam or course component won't be accommodated *unless* the situation is an unexpected personal or family emergency, and unless you can provide documentation.
- 9. Late assignments (or any applicable assignment/course component) will result in an automatic deduction of 5% PER DAY, up to and including the day of a late submission, unless arrangements based on extenuating circumstances have been made. Only legitimately documented personal or family emergencies will be accommodated. Example: if an assignment is worth 20%, one late day makes it worth 15%, and so on. Forgetfulness or poor planning won't be accommodated.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/ or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/**

Instructors reserve the right to use electronic plagiarism detection services on written assignments. Instructors also reserve the right to ban the use of any form of electronics (cell phones, Blackberries, iPods, tablets, scanning pens, electronic dictionaries, etc.) during class and during exams.

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

Additional Information:

Performance Requirements

Grade Description & Notification:

All efforts will be made to return graded assignments promptly. Final papers/projects/exams will not be returned and will be kept by Arts and Education. If you complete an assignment (i.e., present, hand in a paper), you cannot—after the fact—claim that extenuating circumstances affected your work and request a grade adjustment. If you are having difficulty with an assignment or there are serious extenuating circumstances affecting your work, please speak with me as soon as possible. You may not come and ask me to raise your grade because you need a certain GPA for a certain program, or any other such reason. If you would like me to re-consider a grade, during the term only, you must present me with logical, carefully thought out reasons for this re-consideration. I reserve the right to lower grades if I am asked to re-mark something. Once the term is over, you must go through the correct appeals procedure. This is listed online in the College Calendar.

At the end of the term, I reserve the right to raise the final grade of a student whose overall performance in the class merits more than the numerical calculations suggest. I will only reconsider grades if you present a logical and coherent argument. If you come to me and just ask for a higher grade, I reserve the right to lower your grade. Here are some examples of "arguments" that will result in a grade reduction:

- 1. The statement: "I think my paper deserves a better grade" without accompanying logical justification.
- 2. Because you need to get into an MBA program, or graduate school, or medicine, or you need to maintain a scholarship. Or, quite simply, you have to graduate. If any of these things apply, then you should be thinking about them from the first week of class, and working appropriately.
- 3. Because you think you worked harder than your classmate, whose grade was better than yours.
- 4. "My grade is just half a point away from the next grade point..."

Academic Misconduct

Students are considered to be responsible adults and should adhere to principles of intellectual integrity. Intellectual dishonesty may take many forms, such as:

- Plagiarism or the submission of another person's work as one's own
- The use of unauthorized aids in assignments or examinations (cheating)
- Collusion or the unauthorized collaboration with others in preparing work
- The deliberate misrepresentation of qualifications
- The willful distortion of results or data
- Substitution in an examination by another person
- Handing in the same unchanged work as submitted for another assignment
- Breach of confidentiality.

The consequences for academic misconduct range from a verbal reprimand to expulsion from the College. More specific descriptions and details are found in the Student Rights and Student Code of Conduct section of the GPRC credit calendar. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Student Code of Conduct Policies.

Specialized Supports

Counselling and Disability Services

Counselling Services provides a wide range of specialized counselling services to prospective and registered students, including personal, career and academic counselling.

Students with Disabilities

It is the College's goal that learning experiences be as accessible as possible. If you anticipate or experience physical or academic barriers based on a disability, please let your instructor know immediately so options can be discussed. You are also welcome to contact Accessibility Services to establish reasonable accommodations. https://www.gprc.ab.ca/services/accessibility/

Learning Support Centre

The Learning Support Centre is accessible though the Library at the Main campus of GPRC, where students can gather to share ideas, collaborate on projects and get new perspectives on learning from our tutorial staff.

The Learning Support Centre, through a variety of delivery methods, provides assistance in skill development to GPRC students. Assistance is provided by instructors, staff and student tutors.

Individuals wishing to improve their mathematics, writing, grammar, study, or other skills, can take advantage of this unique service.

Submission & Late Policies:

It is very important to complete your assignments on time. Late and/or incomplete assignments will receive a grade of 0%, unless you have a valid reason supported with appropriate documentation (i.e., medical note from an M.D.) and you discuss it with me. If you have the flu and can't get the assignment done, don't wait until a week after the paper is due to tell me you need an extension.

A grade of C- is required for progression or transfer.

For written and take home assignments – you will be penalized -20%/day up to the maximum of - 100% = a ZERO. No Exceptions.

Email

Please be considerate when using email to communicate with your instructor.

- Questions are best addressed in person following class, or during office hours.
- Email is a poor substitute for actual instructor/student conversations.
- If you are implored to send an email you need to include the course number and your full name (as you are known by the college) in the subject heading. If you do not include the course number and your name in the subject line I will not respond.

Professional Conduct

- Please be aware that I respect that everyone's time is precious and valuable, please afford me the same courtesy.
- Instead of preoccupying your mind with the question "how do I get an 'A'?" Instead, ask yourself how can I work to expand my knowledge, perspective and outlook on the world?