

## Winter 2020

# FACULTY OF ARTS

## Department of Sociology

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COURSE TITLE: SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER					
Course Number	SOCI303				
Pre/Co-Requisites	SOCI201				
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Class Location	ENA101				

## **Course Description**

This course offers an introduction to the sociological analysis of sex, gender, gender relations, and sexuality. We will critically examine how gender shapes our everyday lived experiences, our identities, our interactions with others, and our relationships to broad institutions like education, work, and family. Different theoretical perspectives will be drawn upon in order to better understand gender roles and the different ways in which individuals and groups are positioned in society. These theories will provide the foundation in our learning and understanding of the ways in which masculinity and femininity have been constructed in society. Finally, we will explore how the effects of gender intersect with race, class and sexuality.

## Course Objectives/Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this course, you are expected to be able to:

- Understand that gender is a social construction rather than merely 'natural'.
- Understand the differences between sex and gender.
- Recognize how we 'do gender' in a variety of different ways through our interactions with other people and social institutions.
- Understand a variety of sociological approaches to the study of gender.
- Apply a gender analysis to a variety of social issues.

## Required Textbooks, Readings, Materials, Electronic Resources

There is **one** required text for this course and **one** required journal article.

## Textbook:

Wade, L. and Ferree M. 2019. *Gender: Ideas, Interactions, Institutions*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. W.W. Norton & Company. Hard copy available at the bookstore.

E-book access for rent or purchase is available at: https://digital.wwnorton.com/gender2 (Please note prices listed are in US\$)

#### Journal Article:

It is expected that you will use the school library to gain access to the journal article on your own.

Monto, M. A., & Carey, A. G. (2014). A new standard of sexual behavior? Are claims associated with the "hookup culture" supported by General Social Survey data? *Journal of Sex Research*, 51(6), 605-615.

## Schedule of Lectures and Readings

The expected lecture dates and assigned readings are listed below, although unexpected circumstances may require some changes. Power Point outlines will be available on D2L prior to the relevant class.

	Introduction	Reading
January 14	Course Introduction	
January 16	Introduction to Gender	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 1
	Gender Ideas	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 2
January 21 Gender Ideas Continued		
January 23	Bodies	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 3
January 28	Performances	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 4
January 30	Performances Continued	
February 4	Intersections	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 5
February 6	Intersections Continued	
February 11	Catch up/Midterm Prep	
February 13	Examination #1	Chap. 1-5
February 25	Inequality: Men and Masculinities	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 6
February 27	Inequality: Men and Masculinities Continued	
March 3	Inequality: Women and Femininities	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 7
March 5	Inequality: Women and Femininities Continued	
March 10	Institutions	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 8
March 12	12 Institutions Continued	
March 17	Change	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 9
March 19	Change Continued	
March 24	Catch Up/Midterm Prep	
March 26	Examination #2	Chap. 6-9

March 31	Sexualities	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 10	
April 2	Sexualities Continued	Monto & Carey (2014)	
April 7	Families	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 11	
April 9	Work	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 12	
	Conclusion	Wade & Ferree, Chap. 14	
April 14	Catch up/Final Prep		

## Methods of Assessment and Grading Weights

You will be responsible for completing all readings specified in the course outline, as well as all lecture materials (including films, etc.). Exams will cover both readings and class material, and may involve a variety of question types. These may include multiple-choice, true/false, "fill-in-the-blank" and short essay. **Term tests are not cumulative but the final exam is cumulative.** 

The course grade will be determined as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> term test (February 13)	<b>25</b> %
2 <sup>nd</sup> term test (March 26 - online)	30 %
Final Exam (Same date as Registrar exam April 20 <sup>th</sup> – online)	35 %
In-Class Written Assignments	. 10 %

### **In-Class Written Assignments**

Throughout the semester we will take part in 5-7 (2% each to a maximum of 10%) in- class assignments that will include (but are not limited to) debates, discussions and group work. Each in-class activity will have a written portion to be handed in. *There will be no notice ahead of time for these in-class activities and they cannot be made up – NO EXCEPTIONS.* 

#### **Final Exam Information**

A Registrar scheduled final exam will be booked for this course. Date of the exam is still to be determined but will be sometime between April 18-29.

## **Grading Scale**

Letter grades will be assigned and submitted to the registrar based on the following scale:

Grade	Percent range	Grade Point Value	Description
A+	96 – 100%	4.0	Outstanding performance
Α	90 – 95.99%	4.0	Excellent performance
Α-	85 – 89.99%	3.7	Approaching excellent performance
B+	80 – 84.99%	3.3	Exceeding good performance
В	75 – 79.99%	3.0	Good performance
B-	70 – 74.99%	2.7	Approaching good performance
C+	67 – 69.99%	2.3	Exceeding satisfactory performance
С	63 – 66.99%	2.0	Satisfactory performance
C-	59 – 62.99%	1.7	Approaching satisfactory performance
D+	55 – 58.99%	1.3	Marginal pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject
D	50 – 54.99%	1.0	Minimal Pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.
F	<50%	0	Failure. Did not meet course requirements.

## **Passing Grades**

ALL tests must be completed to obtain a passing grade in this course. Please note that final grades are NOT negotiable. No grade will be increased beyond what a student has earned during the term and in the class. **Final grades will NOT be rounded off to the next higher grade**.

### **Grade Reappraisal**

Within two weeks of the date the exam/assignment is returned, students seeking reappraisal of examinations or assignments must submit a written response to the instructor explaining the basis for reconsideration of one's mark. The instructor will reconsider the grade assigned and will then book a time with the student to discuss his or her work and rationale. It should be noted that a reassessed grade may be raised, lowered, or remain the same.

## **Technology Use**

Please note that cell phones, pagers, Internet surfing, watching videos, playing computer games, checking email, text-messaging, and listening to music are disruptive to the class. **Please be courteous to your classmates and professor and turn off all such devices <u>before</u> the start of class. Laptop computers are to be used exclusively for the purposes of taking notes during the class. Students violating this policy will be asked to cease doing so and may be disallowed from using a laptop in future classes. Recording devices may be used only if you have permission from the professor and documentation from the Student Accessibility Office.** 

## Handing in Papers, Assignments

- 1. The main Sociology Department office does not deal with any course-related matters. Please speak directly to your instructor.
- 2. Protection of Privacy: The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) legislation does not allow students to retrieve any course material from public places. Anything that requires handing back will be returned directly during class or office hours. If students are unable to pick up their assignments from the instructor, they can provide the instructor with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to be used for the return of the assignment. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary
- 3. Final grades are not posted by the Sociology Department. They are only available online.

#### Research Ethics

Students are advised that any research with human subjects – including any interviewing (even with friends and family), opinion polling, or unobtrusive observation – must have the approval of the Faculty Ethics Committee. In completing course requirements, students must not undertake any human subjects research without discussing their plans with the instructor, to determine if ethics approval is required.

## Copyright Legislation

All students are required to read the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright (<a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/acceptable-use-of-material-protected-by-copyright.pdf">https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/acceptable-use-of-material-protected-by-copyright.pdf</a>) and requirements of the Copyright Act (<a href="https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html">https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html</a>) to ensure they are aware of the consequences of unauthorized sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions of textbooks etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy.

### Instructor Intellectual Property

Course materials created by professor(s) (including course outlines, presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the professor(s). These materials may NOT be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit consent of the professor. The posting of course materials to third party websites such as note-sharing sites without permission is prohibited. Sharing of extracts of these course materials with other students enrolled in the course at the same time may be allowed under fair dealing.

#### **Academic Misconduct**

Please refer to the website listed below for information on University of Calgary policies on Plagiarism/Cheating/Other Academic Misconduct:

http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html

#### **Absences and Deferrals**

Students who are absent from class assessments (i.e. tests) should inform their instructors as soon as possible. Instructors may request that evidence in the form of documentation be provided. If the reason provided for the absence is acceptable, instructors may decide that any arrangements made can take forms other than make-up tests or assignments. For information on possible forms of

documentation, including statutory declarations, please see https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/m-1.html

**Deferred Final Exam Form:** Please note that requests to defer a Registrar scheduled final exam are dealt with through the Registrar's Office. Further information can be found at: https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred-exams

Deferred Term Work Form: Deferral of term work past the end of a term also requires a form to be filled out. It's available at:

https://live-ucalgary.ucalgary.ca/sites/default/files/teams/1/deferred\_termwork15\_0.pdf

Once an extension date has been agreed between instructor and student, the form should be taken to the Faculty of Arts Program Information Centre (SS 110) for approval by an Associate Dean (Students).

#### **Academic Accommodation**

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/. Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor. The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at:

http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf

Students needing an Accommodation based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to the course instructor.

### Wellness and Mental Health Resources

The University of Calgary recognizes the pivotal role that mental health plays in physical health, social connectedness and academic success, and aspires to create a caring and supportive campus community where individuals can freely talk about mental health and receive support when needed. We encourage you to explore the excellent mental health resources available throughout the university community, such as counselling, self-help resources, peer support or skills-building available through Student Wellness Services (Room 370 MacEwan Student Centre, https://www.ucalgary.ca/wellness-services/services/mental-health-services) and the Campus Mental Health Strategy (<a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/mentalhealth/">http://www.ucalgary.ca/mentalhealth/</a>).

#### **Student Success Centre**

The Student Success Centre provides services and programs to ensure students can make the most of their time at the University of Calgary. Our advisors, learning support staff, and writing support staff assist students in enhancing their skills and achieving their academic goals. They provide tailored learning support and advising programs, as well as one-on-one services, free of charge to all undergraduate and graduate students. For more information visit:

https://www.ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success

#### **Student Ombuds Office**

The Student Ombuds Office supports and provides a safe, neutral space for students. For more information, please visit www.ucalgary.ca/ombuds/ or email ombuds@ucalgary.ca.

## Student Union (SU) Information

The SU Vice-President Academic can be reached at (403) 220-3911 or <a href="mailto:suvpaca@ucalgary.ca">suvpaca@ucalgary.ca</a>; Information about the SU, including elected Faculty Representatives, can be found here: <a href="https://www.su.ucalgary.ca">https://www.su.ucalgary.ca</a>.

## **Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points**

Assembly points for emergencies have been identified across campus. Assembly points are designed to establish a location for information updates from the emergency responders to the evacuees; from the evacuated population to the emergency responders. For more information, see the University of Calgary's Emergency Management website:

https://live-risk.ucalgary.ca/risk/emergency-management/evac-drills-assembly-points/assembly-points

### Safewalk

Campus security will escort individuals, day or night, anywhere on campus (including McMahon Stadium, Health Sciences Centre, Student Family Housing, the Alberta Children's Hospital and the University LRT station). Call 403-220-5333 or visit <a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk">http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk</a>. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phone located at most parking lot pay booths. Please ensure your personal safety by taking advantage of this service.