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Gender and Global Governance

Modular value: 20 credits
Duration: Term 2
Teaching: 1 x 2 hour seminar per week

Lecturer: **Emma Foster (/staff/profiles/government-society/foster-emma.aspx)**

This module investigates the ways in which gender is implicated in the structure, practice and theorising of global politics, through the treatment of 'gender' as a noun, a verb and a structural logic operative in world politics, with specific reference to governance and globalisation.

In an effort to situate feminist scholarship in the discipline of International Relations, and to develop an understanding of the implications of taking seriously feminist critiques of the study and practice of world politics, this module will explore issues of gender, governance and globalisation and make students familiar with the diverse body of scholarship that forms feminist critiques of International Relations.

The module begins with an exploration of feminist theory/practice and relates this to the development of a distinctive 'canon' of feminist IR. This theoretical engagement encourages close investigation of the ways in which feminist activists and advocates have sought in various ways - and to various effect - to influence processes of globalisation and development, and sought to have representation in arenas of global governance. The module thus interrogates the disciplines of IR, IPE and Development, and engages with a range of issues including globalisations, migration, activism and international organisation.

Finally, a primary aim of this module, reflected in the modes of assessment, is to encourage the development of transferable academic skills including the ability to conduct independent research, the ability to communicate ideas effectively, both verbally and in writing, and the ability to present planned research to an audience of peers.

By the end of the module the student should be able to:

- Demonstrate the ability to analyse debates and issues relevant to the analysis of gender, globalisation and governance, and to articulate that analysis both concisely and persuasively.
- Engage in informed discussion about contemporary and historical developments in feminist studies of global politics, with particular emphasis on feminist International Relations/feminist International Political Economy and studies of development and globalisation.
- Construct persuasive arguments about world politics and specific events and phenomena in global politics from a variety of feminist perspectives.

Assessment

- 1000 word critical review (formative)
- Oral presentation 10%
- 4000 word literature review 90%

You may be interested in these modules:

- 20 credits - **Sex, Death, Gender and (In) Security (/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/sex-death-gender-security.aspx)**

You may be interested in these degrees:

- **International Relations (Gender) (/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/international-relations-gender.aspx)**
- **International Relations (with specialist pathways) (/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/international-relations.aspx)**

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