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University of Nicosia, Cyprus

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| Course Code SOC-250 | Course Title Gender Issues in Society | ECTS Credits 6 |
| Department Social Sciences | Semester Fall, Spring, Summer | Prerequisites None |
| Type of Course Social Science Elective | Field Psychology | Language of Instruction English |
| Level of Course 1 st Cycle | Year of Study 2 nd | Lecturer(s) Dr Constantinos N Phellas |
| Mode of Delivery Face-to-face | Work Placement N/A | Co-requisites None |
| Recommended Optional Programme Components: N/A | | |

Objectives of the Course:

The aim of this course is to chart this history and to explore some of the key contemporary debates around gender. It will build on foundational work of feminist writers in challenging mainstream sociological thought and methodologies and then move on to examine issues of gender in relation to the work (paid and unpaid), politics, social policy, research, sexualities, the media and the concept of masculinities.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the Unit students will:

1. Be able to identify and evaluate key concepts relating to gender differences and gender inequality.
2. Have gained an understanding of the social and intellectual developments associated with feminist theories of gender.
3. Be aware of the historical context of gender inequalities in the contemporary world.
4. Assess the cross-cultural and historical differences in gender relations.
5. Have a critical appreciation of the links between gender and other social divisions.
6. Be able to use theoretical ideas to analyse contemporary social issues.
7. Have the ability to demonstrate a reflective approach to skills and knowledge gained at Level 1.
8. Be able to consult a wide range of sources and to write clearly and concisely

as demonstrated in the work for their coursework portfolio.

Course Content:

1. Introduction to the concept of Gender, Femininity and Masculinity
2. Feminist Theories
3. Gender Theories
4. Gender and Research I
5. Gender and Research II- Politics
6. Gender and Research III- Work
7. Gender and Welfare
8. Gender and Crime News
9. Gender and Masculinity
10. Gender and Sexualities
11. Gender, Sexualities and Intimacies

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Interactive lectures.

Assessment Methods:

(i) Presentation, (ii) Mid-term exam, (iii) Final exam.

Required Textbooks/Reading:

| Authors | Title | Publisher | Year |
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| N. Charles | Gender in modern Britain | Oxford: Oxford University Press | 2002 |

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| Breitenbach, A. Brown, F. Mackay and J. Webb | The Changing Politics of Gender Equality in Britain (2002). | SAGE | 2002 |