

SSW 5252: GENDER AND SOCIETY

- Course Objectives**
- Study the concept of gender, sex and sexuality.
 - To understand how gender is institutionalized
 - To know the various theories of gender
 - To examine the relationship between the gender and health

Course Outline

Unit I Understanding Gender

Concepts: Sex, Sexuality and Gender, Femininity, Masculinity, Third gender, Sexuality, Patriarchy; Gender sensitivity and Gender sensitization

Unit II Gendered Institutions

Gender in the family, education, workplace, occupations, status and earnings – Case study: Vishakha Vs State of Rajasthan Case, Gender representations: Media and advertising.

Unit III Gender Socialization

Socialization, Schooling and Gender Practice. Sports and Gender Identity, Gender and Reproduction, Case study: Savadatti Yellamma festival- Devadasi system.

Unit IV Theorizing Gender

The Cognitive Approach, Gender Schema Theory, Queer theory, Social Movements

Unit V Gender and Health

Gender and Physical Health, Gender, Marital Status, and Mental Health. Gender, poverty and Social Mobility.

- Course Outcome**
- The learners will get integrated knowledge on sex and sexuality and about institutionalization of gender.
 - The learner can acquire knowledge on various theories of gender and can analyse the relationship between the gender and health.
 - Learners will be in a position to sensitize the communities related to gender issues.
 - Learners will be able to critically analyze various policies related to gender and empowerment of women.

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