

PO241-15 Gender Matters in Politics and International Studies

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Department

Politics & International Studies

Level

Undergraduate Level 2

Module leader

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Credit value

15

Module duration

10 weeks

Assessment

100% coursework

Study location

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

This module is for students who wish to learn more about feminist approaches and gender studies and to see how 'gender matters' to all areas of study in politics and international studies.

Module aims

The aim of this module is to provide students with an introduction to feminist and gender studies approaches to the study of politics and international studies. Specifically, the module will ask students to consider what a 'gender lens' brings to the four key areas of teaching and research expertise in PAIS - namely, political theory, comparative politics, international security and international political economy. The module thus aims to provide a comprehensive introduction to feminist theory and gender studies in PAIS.

Questions of gender, power, inequality and representation are increasingly central to contemporary political debate at both national and international levels. Contemporary feminist campaigns and movements such as #MeToo and mobilisations around gender violence, reproductive rights, workplace inequality and LGBTQ+ rights have further highlighted the political significance of gender in public and international life. There is also growing recognition of the

significance of gender within key international political institutions such as the UN Security Council, the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund. This module is therefore timely and will seek to situate contemporary feminist debates and arguments within a longer history of feminist theory and gender studies in politics and international studies. The module provides an opportunity for students to engage with a dynamic and expanding body of scholarly research on gender, reflected in the department's own growing research strengths in gender studies and feminism.

Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

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Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Understand how to relate feminist theories and gender studies to their studies in PAIS as a whole.
- Have an advanced knowledge of empirical examples of how gender matters in politics and international studies
- Have developed their critical thinking skills in order to evaluate competing feminist theoretical perspectives
- Have developed written and verbal presentation skills, and research skills.

Indicative reading list

[Reading lists can be found in Talis](#)

Subject specific skills

1. Apply feminist and gender theories to the analysis of political and international issues.
2. Critically evaluate the role of gender in political institutions, global governance and international political economy.
3. Analyse contemporary political debates and social movements using gender-sensitive approaches.
4. Compare different feminist approaches and assess their contributions to politics and international studies.
5. Use gender as a category of analysis in the interpretation of political events, policies and global power relations.

Transferable skills

1. Critical reading and synthesis of complex academic material across feminist theory, politics

and international studies.

2. Effective written communication, including the ability to develop, structure and present coherent arguments in academic essays.
 3. Time management and independent organisation to meet assessment deadlines and manage sustained workloads.
 4. Oral communication and collaborative skills developed through class-based discussion, group work and the presentation of ideas to peers.
 5. Ability to work both independently and collectively, engaging constructively with others' ideas and contributing to shared learning environments.
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Study

Study time

Type	Required
Lectures	9 sessions of 1 hour (6%)
Seminars	9 sessions of 1 hour (6%)
Private study	132 hours (88%)
Total	150 hours

Private study description

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Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A3

Assessment component	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
1000 word book review	30%		Yes (extension)

Weighting Study time Eligible for self-certification

Reassessment component is the same

Assessment component

2000 word essay 70% Yes (extension)

Reassessment component is the same

Feedback on assessment

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Availability

Courses

This module is Optional for:

- UECA-LM1D Undergraduate Economics, Politics and International Studies
 - Year 2 of LM1D Economics, Politics and International Studies
 - Year 2 of LM1D Economics, Politics and International Studies
- Year 2 of UPOA-M102 Undergraduate Global Politics (with Integrated Year Abroad at Brussels School of Governance, VUB)
- UHIA-VM11 Undergraduate History and Politics
 - Year 2 of VM11 History and Politics
 - Year 2 of VM11 History and Politics
 - Year 2 of VM11 History and Politics
- Year 2 of UHIA-VM12 Undergraduate History and Politics (with Year Abroad)
- UPHA-V7ML Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics
 - Year 2 of V7MR Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major)
 - Year 2 of V7MR Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major)
 - Year 2 of V7MP Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite)
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 - Year 2 of V7MP Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite)
 - Year 2 of V7ML Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite)
 - Year 2 of V7ML Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite)
 - Year 2 of V7ML Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite)
- UPHA-V7MM Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics (with Intercalated year)
 - Year 2 of V7MS Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major)

- (with Intercolated Year)
- Year 2 of V7MS Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major) (with Intercolated Year)
- Year 2 of V7MQ Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite) with Intercolated Year
- Year 2 of V7MM Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite) (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of V7MM Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite) (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of V7MH Philosophy, Politics and Economics - Economics/Philosophy Bipartite (Economics Major) (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of V7MF Philosophy, Politics and Economics - Economics/Politics Bipartite (Economics Major) (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of V7MI Philosophy, Politics and Economics - Philosophy/Economics Bipartite (Philosophy Major) (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of V7MJ Philosophy, Politics and Economics - Philosophy/Politics Bipartite (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of V7MG Philosophy, Politics and Economics - Politics/Economics Bipartite (Politics Major) (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of UPOA-M100 Undergraduate Politics
- Year 2 of UPOA-M101 Undergraduate Politics (with Intercolated Year)
- UPOA-M16A Undergraduate Politics and International Studies
 - Year 2 of M16A Politics and International Studies
 - Year 2 of M16A Politics and International Studies
 - Year 2 of M16A Politics and International Studies
- Year 2 of UPOA-M16B Undergraduate Politics and International Studies (with Intercolated Year)
- Year 2 of UPOA-M168 Undergraduate Politics and International Studies with Chinese
- Year 2 of UPOA-M169 Undergraduate Politics and International Studies with Chinese (3 year)
- Year 2 of UPOA-ML13 Undergraduate Politics and Sociology
- Year 2 of UPOA-ML14 Undergraduate Politics and Sociology (with Intercolated year)
- Year 2 of UPOA-M163 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and French
- Year 2 of UPOA-M16F Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and French (3 year degree)
- UPOA-M164 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and German
 - Year 2 of M100 Politics
 - Year 2 of M164 Politics, International Studies and German
- Year 2 of UPOA-M16D Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and German (3 year degree)
- Year 2 of UIPA-L2L8 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Global Sustainable Development
- Year 2 of UPOA-M166 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Hispanic Studies
- Year 2 of UPOA-M16H Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Hispanic Studies (3 year degree)
- Year 1 of UPOA-M165 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Italian
- Year 2 of UPOA-M16E Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Italian (3 year degree)
- UPHA-V7MW Undergraduate Politics, Philosophy and Law

- Year 2 of V7MW Politics, Philosophy and Law
- Year 2 of V7MW Politics, Philosophy and Law
- Year 2 of UPHA-V7MX Undergraduate Politics, Philosophy and Law (with Intercalated Year)