

**CARLETON UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY**

**COURSE NUMBER/SECTION
ACADEMIC YEAR/TERM
COURSE TITLE**

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Course Schedule: Fall Semester 2023 **Tuesday 2:30-4:30**
Method of Delivery: On campus

Course Description: Issues and themes in Girlhood Studies drawing on anthropological and sociological perspectives. We will explore girls' lives in diverse cultural, political, economic, historical, and social contexts to understand girlhood as a site of competing narratives and, at the same time, as an experiential process that is grounded in historical and discursive contexts and situated within and beyond borders. Students will examine issues that display the complex, fluid, and multidimensional aspects of girlhood for girls in the global North and South. Key themes may include education, identities, queer girlhood, activism, racialized girlhood, Indigenous girlhood, disability, sexuality, sustainable development and girls' lives, and girlhood in a time of pandemic.

Prerequisites: none

Reading (s)/Textbook (s): on Reserve

Course Requirements & Methods of Evaluation:

Element 1: Attendance and Participation 10%
Element 2: Weekly Critical Questions 20%
Element 3: Two Quizzes (take home) 20% each
Element 4: Critical Review of Two Articles 30%