

SOCI 4040/Feminist Sociology of Intersectionality

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides an overview of intersectionality as a concept, theory, analytical tool, research method, and practice of social change. It traces the evolution of intersectionality as part of feminist theoretical development, starting with its roots in Black feminist writing and activism. The course aims to explore how intersectionality helps scholars, governments, and activists understand the relationships between different forms of marginalization and domination, with a focus on bridging theory and practice to achieve institutional change and social justice. Additionally, the course will examine the approaches and methodological challenges to conducting empirical intersectional research. The readings and topics will center on feminist scholarship examining the intersection of gender, race, class, sexuality, (dis)ability, and nation.

EVALUATION

Methods of assessment include in-class activities, short writing assignments, and final research project.