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# From Sex Role to Gender

Från könsroll till genus

Credit points: 7,5 CTS credits Responsible department: Umeå Centre for Gender Studies Main field of study: Gender Studies Level: PhD Studies Specialisation in relation to degree requirements: Licentiate of Philosophy or Doctor of Philosophy Subject area: Gender Studies Grading scale: Fail/Pass

## Confirmation

The course syllabus has been confirmed by the Director of Umeå Centre for Gender Studies on November 25, 2013 on delegation from the Board of Umeå Centre for Gender Studies (decision for delegation April 4, 2008) and is valid from the autumn term 2013.

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The course offers an introduction to the field of gender studies and a general presentation of the theoretical developments in the field, starting off in early ideas of gender roles to more contemporary theories on gender and intersectional perspectives. The course also addresses gender research within different faculty areas, in order to give insight into what gender studies can mean in different areas.

# **Expected learning outcomes**

After the course the doctoral student should be able to:

#### Knowledge and understanding

- Account for the growth and development of central perspectives, concepts and themes within the field of Gender Studies

Skills and ability

- Both orally and in writing critically reflect on different gender perspectives in relation to time, place, space and discipline

Value and attitudes

- Show an ability to analytically reflect over gender studies in relation to the doctoral student's own research project
- Reflect over gender studies as a field of activism and research

### Form of instruction

The course will be given as a seminar serie with an introductory lecture

#### **Examination modes**

The expected learning outcomes are examined through mandatory, active participation, continuous text presentations and through a final, individual written paper.

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# Academic credit transfer

Academic credit transfers are reviewed individually. For more information, please see the University's set of rules and academic credit transfer regulations.

## **Course literature**

Connell, R. W. (1995) Masculinities. Cambridge: Polity.

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Mohanty, Chandra Talpade (1984) Under Western Eyes: Feminist Scholarship and Colonial Discourses. *Boundary*, *12-13*(3-1), 333-358

Nicholson, Linda (Ed) (1997) The Second Wave: A Reader in Feminist Theory. New York: Routledge

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Further readings will be added