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Title: Body Politics: Gender, Sexuality and Society
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Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science
Teaching School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science

| Team | Leader |
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| Key Standing | Y |

Academic Level: FHEQ6 **Credit Value:** 20 **Total Delivered Hours:** 33
Total Learning Hours: 200 **Private Study:** 167

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

| Component | Contact Hours |
|-----------|---------------|
| Lecture | 22 |
| Tutorial | 11 |

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

| Category | Short Description | Description | Weighting (%) | Exam Duration |
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| Reflection | AS1 | Blog 1000 Words | 20 | |
| Essay | AS2 | Book Discussion, 3500 Words Essay | 80 | |

Aims

- 1. To evaluate different theoretical perspectives on gender, sexuality and the body.*
- 2. To critically analyse normative ideas concerning body image, beauty, gender and sexuality.*

3. *To explore how the body is regulated in society by laws and social norms, and how these are resisted and challenged.*

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically evaluate a range of theoretical perspectives on gender, sexuality and the body.
- 2 Synthesis material from different sources in order to examine a contemporary issue on gender and sexuality.
- 3 Critically analyse a particular text, relating it to the overall module themes.
- 4 Further develop digital and IT skills.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

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| Blog | 2 | 4 |
| Essay | 1 | 3 |

Outline Syllabus

An indicative range of topics studied includes:

*Sexual identities and gender diversity
Queer, transgender and feminist theories
Body Modification
Media, Body Image and the Beauty Myth
Gender based violence
Sex work debates*

Learning Activities

Lectures/workshops and tutorials.

Notes

The module explores sociological and feminist debates around the body, gender and sexuality. It engages with ideas which challenge the normative representations and 'taken for granted ideas' around body shape and image, gender and sexualities. It covers topics such as body modification, beauty, pornography, sex work, trans* identities and violences against the body.