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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: Beaconhouse IC Islamabad

Team	Leader
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
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:

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.