

**Psychology D18
Psychology of Gender**

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Course Overview

In the first part of the term, we will consider different issues pertaining to gender as illustrated in several major research areas within social psychology. There will be a term examination (essay format) on the required reading and class material from the first part of the term.

In the second part of the term, each class member will give an individual seminar presentation and write a paper on a topic to be chosen from a list provided by Prof. Dion. The list of topics will be distributed early in the term along with more detailed information about the format for the seminar presentation and the paper. Both these components of the course provide an opportunity for you to examine a topic in greater depth.

Evaluation

There is a term examination on the required reading and material presented in class. In addition, as mentioned above, there is a class presentation and a paper. Since this is a seminar, you are expected to take part in class discussion (e.g., comment on the reading material, raise questions and issues for discussion in the context of the class presentations) during the term. Each of these components is weighted as follows:

Term examination (October 17 during the class period): 35%

Class presentation: 20%

Paper: 25% (due one week after your class presentation)

Participation in class discussion: 20%

Text

There is no text to purchase. The required reading for the first part of the term is on reserve in the Bladen Library. Most of the reading is from Women, Gender and Social Psychology. Editors: V. E. O'Leary, R. K. Unger and B. Wallston. Publisher: Lawrence Erlbaum. In addition, there are several journal articles on reserve in the library.