

**Psychology D18H3  
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) throughout the term.

Each of the components is weighted as follows:

Term examination (October 14 during the class period): 35%

Seminar presentation: 20%

Paper: 25% (Due one week after your seminar presentation)

Participation in class discussion: 20%

### **Required Reading**

There is no text to purchase. The required reading for the first part of the term is on reserve in the Bladen Library. This reading includes several chapters from Women, Gender and Social Psychology. (Editors: V. O'Leary, R. Unger and B. Wallston. Publisher: Lawrence Erlbaum) and also includes several journal articles (see list of required reading). Some of the journal articles are also available from e-journals on-line in the University of Toronto Library system.