

University of British Columbia

**SOCI 312A (001)  
Gender Relations**

**Location:** ANSO #207

**Course Time:** Mon-Wed-Fri 2:00–3:00

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**Course Description:**

In this course students will consider, from various sociological perspectives, the construction of gender as a normative apparatus that shapes our everyday practices and social institutions; as well as how these institutions and practices shape the construction of gender. We will consider the intersections of other social categories such as race, class, body able-ness, and sexuality and the interplay with gender as part of a holistic understanding of the construction of the social category of gender. Through the course we will read and discuss sociological theories and research on gender and apply what we learn through the readings and discussion in a series of research and writing activities.

**Please Note:**

The course is reading-focused (about 90 p a week) and includes group work. Students will be assigned working groups that will run discussions and submit joint assignments.

The nature of some of the course materials is sensitive, controversial, and sexually explicit. It is vital that student will be able to discuss controversial topics with respect. Remember, one can disagree without being disagreeable.

**Required Readings:**

All the required readings are available on the course (Connect) website.

**Evaluation criteria:**

Attendance	5%
Active participation (Includes class discussions, group discussions and discussion board)	15%
Group in-Class Assignments	5%
In-Class Reading Responses (2-3)	15%
Mid-Term Group Paper: (Includes: Group paper-15%, Group Presentation-5%, Group peer evaluation 5%)	25%
Final (Take-Home) Exam:	35%