

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO  
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY  
Undergraduate Course Outline 2018 – J. Epp  
Philosophy 2077G: Gender and Sexuality**

**Winter Term 2018  
Monday, 6:30 – 9:30pm  
P&AB-34**

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This class will explore the concepts of sex, gender, and sexuality as they are lived and experienced as well as theorized. We will treat each category as a site of ontological, epistemic, political and moral controversy. In so doing, we will attend to the complex ways in which, together, expressions of sex, gender and sexuality enable subjectivity, knowledge, collective and personal identity, autonomy, oppression, social control and moral and political demands and actions.

Topics include: biological determinism and social construction; language and performativity; challenges to binary models of sex/gender/sexuality; expressions of gender, including femininities and masculinities; neurosexism and sex/gender in science;

**SUBMITTING ASSIGNMENTS:**

**All course work must be submitted electronically through the Assignments section of OWL.** Course work submitted there is automatically sent to Turnitin. Do **not** submit a paper copy.

**If you have difficulty in submitting the paper to the Assignments section of OWL please e-mail a copy of your paper to the instructor by the due date** to prevent your paper from being [ (Ay)20(our)3( ) ]TJ -33.cw [ (t)4ns8( o)-42(de) ]TJJ 0 Tw 2d lcalTw 2TJ /TT013EMC

Development Centre, or to your academic counsellor as soon as possible if you have *any*

Jan. 22	Gender Performativity and Privilege	“Dismantling Cissexual Privilege”	Julia Serano
Jan. 29	Language and Social Construction	“Freaks and Queers”	Eli Clare
Feb. 5	Social Construction, Sex, and Gender	“Delusions of Gender”	Cordelia Fine

Feb. 12	Femininity and Masculinity	“Foucault, Femininity, and the Modernization of Patriarchal Power” Excerpts from “Crossdressing:”	
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Apr. 2	Sexuality and Liberation	<p>“Reading Across the Grain”</p> <p>“Out of Line: The Sexy Femmegimp Politics of Flaunting It!”</p>	<p>Eli Clare</p> <p>Loree Erikson</p>
Apr. 9	<b>Puzzle Day</b>	<p>Poster Presentations and Discussion</p> <p>“Uses of the Erotic as Power”</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFHwg6aNKy0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFHwg6aNKy0</a></p>	<p>Groups</p> <p>Audre Lorde</p>