READING LIST
MA GENDER & DEVELOPMENT

Title of Course: Gender Analysis and Theoretical Perspectives
Code: 916M9
Level of credits: 30 M
Term: Autumn 2009

Session 1: Gender and Sex: Biology and Culture

Essential reading


Supplementary reading


Scott, J. (1989) 'Gender: A useful category of historical analysis', in Elizabeth Weed, Coming to Terms: Feminism, Theory, Politics, p81-100.


Session 2: Gender as Social Relations

Essential reading


Supplementary reading


Kabeer. N 1994 *Reversed Realities: Gender Hierarchies in Development Thought*. Chapters 1-4


**Session 3: Gender and the Politics of Difference in the Context of Development**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**


Sen, G. and Grown, C. 1988 *Development Crises and Alternative Visions* DAWN Third World Women’s Perspectives; chapter 1 and 3. Earthscan


Segal, L 1999 Why Feminism: Gender, Psychology and Politics Intro and Chapter 1.


Mary Evans (1997) Introducing Contemporary Feminist Thought Polity


Tinker I. 1990 "The Making of a Field; Advocates, Practitioners and Scholars" in I Tinker, Persistent Inequalities, Women and World Development. OUP p 3-13. (See also chapter by Boserup p 14-24).


**Session 4: Power and Empowerment**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**


Kabeer, N. 2001. Conflicts over credit: re-evaluating the empowerment potential of loans to women in rural Bangladesh’. *World Development*, vol 29, no.1


Mayoux, L. From Idealism to Realism: women, feminism and empowerment in Nicaraguan tailoring cooperatives’, *Development and Change* 23/2


Moser, C., 1989, 'Gender planning in the Third World: meeting practical and strategic needs', *World Development* 17(11) or chapter three of *Gender Planning and Development*.


**Session 5: Gender, Sex and Sexuality**

**Essential reading**

Campuzano, Giuseppe, ‘Are Two Genders Enough?’ third article in BRIDGE ‘Sexuality’ IN BRIEF.

Esplen, E., and Jolly, S., ‘Gender and Sex: A Sample of Definitions’


**Supplementary reading**

BRIDGE, 2007, ‘Gender and Sexuality’ Cutting Edge Pack, Supporting Resources Collection, Concepts and Definitions Section, pages 2-8

Friedman, Asia, 2006, 'Unintended Consequences of the Feminist Sex/Gender Distinction’ in *Genders Online Journal*, Issue 43, 2006


Dowsett 2003 ‘Some considerations on sexuality and gender in the context of AIDS’, *Reproductive Health Matters*, 11 (22), 21-29


Richardson, D, 2007, (Re)Imagining the Relationship between Gender and Sexuality, *Sociology* 2007;41;457

Sex categories and gender


Campuzano, Giuseppe, ‘Reclaiming Travesti Rights’ in ‘Sexuality Matters’ *IDS Bulletin* Volume 37, no. 5


Moore, H.L. 1988 *Feminism and Anthropology*


Sexual rights


Corrêa, Sonia, From Reproductive Health to Sexual Rights: Achievements and Future Challenges

Corrêa, Sonia, 2002, ‘Sexual Rights: Much has been said, much remains to be resolved’ (Presented as a lecture in the Sexuality, Health and Gender Seminar, Department of Social Sciences, Public Health School, Columbia University, USA),


Petchesky, Rosalind, 2000, ‘Reproductive and Sexual Rights: charting the Course of Transnational Women’s NGOs’, UNRISD,

**Session 6: Theoretical perspectives on Masculinities: Applying it to HIV, sex and health**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**


**On sociology and development:**


**On family, HIV, sex and reproductive health:**


Esplen, E. (2006), “Engaging Men in Gender Equality: Positive strategies and Approaches; Overview and Annotated bibliography”, *BRIDGE Bibliography, No. 15*


Session 7: Unpaid Work and the Macro-economy

Essential reading


Supplementary reading


Engels, F. (1884) The origins of the family, private property and the State


Picchio, A. (1992) Social reproduction. The political economy of the labour market

On measuring unpaid work:

Goldschmidt-Clermont, L., 1990 ‘Economic measurement of non-market household activities: is it useful and feasible?’ *ILO Review* vol 129 n.3


On gender-aware macro-models:


**Session 8: Gender and Patterns of Work**

**Essential reading**


**Supplementary reading**

Kabeer, N., 2000, The power to choose: Bangladeshi women and labour market decisions in London and Dhaka (chapter 3, especially pp.70-81, and chapter 4).


**Session 9: Deconstructing the Household**

**Essential reading**


Or


**Supplementary reading**


Kabeer, N. 2000. ‘Women, wages and intra-household power relations in Bangladesh’, *Development and Change*, vol 28, no.2


Haddad, L. Hoddinott, J. et al., Eds. 1997 *Intrahousehold Resource Allocation In Developing Countries: Models, Methods and Policies*. Johns Hopkins University Press especially Chapters 7 (Guyer), 12 (Harriss-White) and 15 (Dey Abbas).


**Additional reading - novels on gender/power relations in households**

**Arab world**

Hanan Shaykh (or Hanan Al-Shaykh) *Women of Sand and Myrrh, The Story of Zahra, Beirut Blues*

Sahar Khalifeh, *The Inheritance*

Ahdaf Soueif, *In the Eye of the Sun*

Fadia Faqir, *Pillars of Salt*

Nawal el-Saadawi, *Two Women in one* and *Woman at Point Zero*

**Africa**

Buchi Emecheta, *Joys of Motherhood*

Flora Nwapa, *Efuru*

Bessie Head, *Maru*

Cyprian Ekwensi, *Jaguar Mama*

Elechi Amadi, *The Concubine*

Charlotte Bruner, *Unwinding Threads* (short pieces by Emecheta, Nwapa, Grace Ogot, Ama Ata Aidoo and others)


Abu Loghod, *Writing women's worlds*

Mariama Ba, *So long a letter*

**Latin america and caribbean**

Rigoberta Menchu, *I*

**Diary of Maria Carolina de Jesus**

Laura Esquivel, *Like Water for Chocolate*

Isabel Allende, *Eva Luna*

Clarice Lispector, *The Hour of the Star*

Jamaica Kincaid, *Autobiography of My Mother*

**South asia**

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Bapsy Sidhwa, *Ice Candy Man; The Pakistani Bride*
Sara Suleri, *Meatless Days*

Kamala Markandaya, *A Handful of Rice*
Kamala Markandaya, *Nectar in a Sieve*
Anita Desai, *Cry the Peacock, Fasting and Feasting and In Custody*
Anita Nair, *Ladies Coupe*

Satyajit Ray *Pather Panchali (Bibhuti Bhushan Banerji)*
Rabindra Nath Tagore, *Home and Away*
Susie Tharu et al, *Women Writing in India*
Monica Ali, *Brick Lane*

*Science fiction*

Utopian/dystopian science fiction novels and their alternative views of the family can expose the problems of the contemporary versions

Margaret Atwood, *Handmaid’s tale*
Ursula le Guin, *The Dispossessed*
MArge Piercy, *Woman on the Edge of Time*

Ellen Galford, *Queendom*