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Course Outcome

GDRS 3025 - Innovating the Future: Gender, Science and Technology

Learning Outcome

By the end of the course, committed students will have attained:

- A deeper understanding of how innovations and technologies are gendered
- A sense of the distinctive and shared views in reflecting how gender shapes innovation and entrepreneurship
- Knowledge and ability to apply gender analysis to identify and describe different processes of innovation and entrepreneurship
- Reflexive Insights into the power dynamics played by individuals and institutions in the creation of novelty
- Ability to synthesize different theoretical traditions and disciplines that study gender and innovation
- Capability to evaluate technology and science-based entrepreneurial projects on their inherent gender assumptions and provide relevant suggestions

Course Syllabus

Week 1: Introduction: When are Innovation(s) Gendered?

- Innovations in science and technology often seemed gender-neutral, when do they become gendered?
- To innovate for a more sustainable future, having SDG goals in mind are important in any innovative ventures, and the course begins with the SDG goals on gender equality and reduced inequality to identify gaps in science and technology.

Week2: Doing and Undoing Gender in Innovation

- We will discuss the ways that gender analysis contributes to our understanding of innovation.
- Embedding gender analysis in science research could help filter out inherent biases to further advance the innovative processes.

Week 3: Why/How is Innovation Gendered?

- While debates about the gender dimensions of technology are many, has feminism changed science? Why and how innovation is persistently gendered?
- How do scholars explain the gender gap in innovation?

Week 4: Gender and Technology

- We will discuss different feminist approaches to study the relationship between gender and technology and the ways to reduce gender inequality in the technology field.

Week 5: Gender/Sexuality in Science and Engineering Education

- We will discuss the ways that experiences in science and technology may contribute to persistent gender inequality. What are some ways to bridge this gap?

Week 6: Gender and STEM Career

- We will discuss how different identities play a great role in STEM career that may reproduce inequality.

Week 7: Science, Technology, and Medicine

- We will discuss how people infused gendered bias on scientific discovery and how gender and sexuality shape the use of new technologies in the field of science and medicine.

Week 8: Gender in Creative Industries

- Innovation is not limited to science and technology. The emergent creative industries are also the place for innovative practices to take shape. We will discuss how gender and the creative industries are mutually shaped.

Week 9: Gender and Entrepreneurship

- Entrepreneurship is understood as the process to start and launch a business and is an important part of innovative endeavors. Scholars have explored how the entrepreneurship process is inherently gendered.

Week 10: Gender, Social Entrepreneurship, and Social Innovation

- Social entrepreneurship and social innovation are an emergent field where cross-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaborations are encouraged to come up with better solutions to complex social problems. We will discuss how gender interacts with this emergent field.

Week 11: Sustainability, Diversity, and Inclusion

- Sustainability, diversity, and inclusion are currently widely incorporated in social entrepreneurship and social innovation. We will discuss how gender analysis could contribute to these pillars.
- How do these pillars support and incubate innovation for sustainable development? (SDG Goal 9 on building resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation)

Week 12: (En)Gendering Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Leadership I

- We will discuss how gender-sensitive leadership could help engender innovation and entrepreneurship.

Week 13: (En)Gendering Innovation, Intrapreneurship, and Leadership II

- What if the changes in gender and innovation need to happen from within an organization? We will discuss how intrapreneurship could reshape gender relations within the organization and provide the ground for gender-sensitive innovation.
- Intrapreneurial leaders are key actors to advance cross-sectoral innovation and knowledge creation for a sustainable future. We will revisit the SDGs and think about how to integrate them into the science and technology fields.

Assessment Type

	Assessment Type	Current Percent
1	Essay test or exam	25
2	Homework or assignment	30
3	Participation	15
4	Report	30

Feedback for Evaluation

1. Course and Teaching Evaluation Survey
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Required Readings

Alsos, Gry Agnete, Ulla Hytti, and Elisabet Ljunggren. 2016. *Research Handbook on Gender and Innovation*. Edward Elgar Publishing.

Pecis, Lara. 2016. "Doing and Undoing Gender in Innovation: Femininities and Masculinities in Innovation Processes." *Human Relations* 69(11):2117–40.

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Week 1: Introduction: When are Innovation(s) Gendered?

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Week2: Doing and Undoing Gender in Innovation

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Carrasco, Inmaculada. 2014. "Gender Gap in Innovation: An Institutionalist Explanation."

Management Decision 52(2):410–24.

[Video Homework]:

Human-centered AI: A Case for Cognitively Inspired Machine Intelligence - Fei-Fei Li

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Week 4: Gender and Technology

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(1):143–52.

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[Recommended Video for Homework]

Silicon Valley Season 1 One episode

Week 7: Science, Technology, and Medicine

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CARPENTER, LAURA M. and MONICA J. CASPER. 2009. "A TALE OF TWO TECHNOLOGIES: HPV Vaccination, Male Circumcision, and Sexual Health." *Gender and Society* 23(6):790–816.

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Week 8: Gender in Creative Industries

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Week 10: Gender, Social Entrepreneurship and Social Innovation

Lee, Matthew and Laura Huang. 2018. "Gender Bias, Social Impact Framing, and Evaluation of Entrepreneurial Ventures." *Organization Science* 29(1):1–16.

Borquist, Bruce R. and Anne de Bruin. 2019. "Values and Women-Led Social Entrepreneurship." *International Journal of Gender and Entrepreneurship*.

Week 11: Sustainability, Diversity, and Inclusion

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Zietsma, Charlene and Madeline Toubiana. 2019. "Emotion as the glue, the fuel and the rust in

social innovation." In Gerard George. ed. 2019. *Handbook of Inclusive Innovation*. Edward Elgar Publishing.

Week 12: (En)Gendering Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Leadership I

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Smith, Wendy K., Marya L. Besharov, Anke K. Wessels, and Michael Chertok. 2012. "A Paradoxical Leadership Model for Social Entrepreneurs: Challenges, Leadership Skills, and Pedagogical Tools for Managing Social and Commercial Demands." *Academy of Management Learning & Education* 11(3):463–78.

Week 13: (En)Gendering Innovation, Intrapreneurship, and Leadership II

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