

Philosophy and Ethics of Gender, Sexuality and Diversity (A005606)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 9.0

Study time 270 h

Course offerings in academic year 2025-2026

A (Year)

English

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Lecturers in academic year 2025-2026

Wallaert, Sigrid

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staff member

Claes, Tom

LW01

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Coene, Gily

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Offered in the following programmes in 2025-2026

[Research Master of Arts in Philosophy](#)

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offering

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Teaching languages

English

Keywords

feminist ethics, sexuality, diversity

Position of the course

This course is one of the eighteen research seminars that constitute the core of the master programme.

Depending on initial qualifications, students enrol for three or five such research seminars.

Contents

In this seminar students learn to examine normative issues regarding gender, sexuality and diversity from an ethical-philosophical and moral-anthropological background. The course introduces key texts in feminist philosophy and ethical theory, the philosophy of sexuality and intersectional and postcolonial theory. Guided by the research expertise of the lecturers, students will learn how to explore pivotal topics from a critical and interdisciplinary perspective. The course contains introductory sessions, guided self-study, discussion seminars and plenary exercises.

For students enrolled in the research master detailed information is available on the Ufora-site 'ReMa Philosophy General Information'.

Initial competences

Knowledge of philosophy and ethics of gender, sexuality and diversity at intermediate level.

Competent in philosophical writing and argumentation.

Final competences

- 1 Ability to formulate original and innovative research problems based on the duly founded insight into the internationally recognised state-of-the-art in philosophy and ethics of gender, sexuality and diversity.
- 2 Ability to work out original solutions to the selected research problems, and argue for them clearly and convincingly.
- 3 Ability to deepen one's knowledge of philosophy and ethics of gender, sexuality and diversity independently.
- 4 Ability to report on research orally (for academic peers) in a clearly-understood manner.

Conditions for credit contract

This course unit cannot be taken via a credit contract

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Independent work

Study material

Type: Syllabus

Name: Collection of articles and book chapters

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Language : English

Available on Ufora : Yes

References**Course content-related study coaching**

Individual help is offered by the lecturers.

Assessment moments

continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period**Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period****Examination methods in case of permanent assessment**

Skills test, Participation, Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

Extra information on the examination methods

Oral presentation of research results, participation in discussions during seminars.

Paper assignments, written research reports.

Calculation of the examination mark

40% participation and presentations, 60% written paper

Facilities for Working Students

None