

Sexuality Studies (SXST)

**Institute of Interdisciplinary Studies
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences**

SXST 2101 [0.5 credit]

Sexuality Studies: A Critical Introduction

While sexuality is often considered the most private and 'natural' of personal concerns, it is saturated with issues of social power, historical change, and public politics. This course offers a critical introduction to interdisciplinary studies of sexuality, focusing on history, theory, and cultural practice.

Precludes additional credit for DIST 2101 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): second-year standing or permission of the Institute.

Lectures and discussion groups three hours a week.

SXST 3102 [0.5 credit]

Critical Methodologies in Sexuality

Methodological approaches in sexuality studies. How intersectionality, interdisciplinarity, ethical and epistemological matters impact knowledge production. Methodological approaches may include qualitative and quantitative study, discourse analysis, community-based research, institutional ethnography, oral history, and archival research.

Precludes additional credit for DIST 3102 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing and SXST 2101.

SXST 3103 [0.5 credit]

Sexuality and Disability

Exploration of ways that embodied categories of sex and gender, as well as desire are mediated through mainstream and alternative discourses of disability. Topics may include: crip theory, mental health issues, and LGBTQ sexualities.

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the Institute.

Lecture three hours a week.

SXST 3104 [0.5 credit]

Transnational Sexualities

Students analyze sex, gender and sexuality as power relations within, and between nation-states comprising the Global North and South, as well as new knowledge created through national border crossings. Topics may include: Orientalism, colonialization, and diasporic identities.

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing and SXST 2101.

Lecture three hours a week.

SXST 4101 [0.5 credit]

Interdisciplinary Studies of Sexuality

A study of selected issues in sexuality studies considered from an interdisciplinary perspective. The course may focus on any one, or combination of, sexuality studies in relation to history, theory, and/or cultural practice.

Precludes additional credit for DIST 4101 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): SXST 2101 and fourth-year standing. Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 4102 [0.5 credit]

Queer Theory

An interdisciplinary and intersectional approach to issues in the area of Sexuality Studies focusing on foundational texts, and debates involved in the study of queer theory.

Prerequisite(s): SXST 2101 and fourth-year standing.

Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 4103 [0.5 credit]

Politics of Kink

This seminar analyzes critically the existence and regulation of non-normative sexual attitudes, behaviours and practices. Topics may include: non-monogamy, sadomasochism, pornography.

Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing.

Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 4104 [0.5 credit]

Sexuality and Political Economy

An interdisciplinary and intersectional approach to issues in the area of Sexuality Studies focusing on socio-economic relations (e.g. class location, consumption) and the ways they mediate sex, gender, and sexual subject formation and governance. SXST 4101.

Prerequisite(s): fourth year standing.

Seminar three hours a week.