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Gender, family and households 758 (SOC 758)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Humanities
Module credits	25.00
Programmes	BSocSciHons Gender Studies
	BSocSciHons Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies
	BSocSciHons Sociology
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Sociology
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

This course takes a macro-level perspective and introduces students to scholarly accounts of the changing historical trajectory of gender relations, marriage as an institution, family forms, and household composition and livelihoods and the implications thereof for understanding gender as a social relation. As such, it adopts a historical and comparative perspective, with a specific focus on Southern Africa. In addition, the module explores the role and impact of supra-state organisations, the state and the market in mediating and regulating gender identities and relations, as well as family and household forms, against the backdrop of the nation-state form and in the context of capitalism and neo-liberalism particularly.

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