

# Syllabus

## for research course

Introduction to feminist theory

7.5 ECTS credits

Introduktion till feministisk teori

7.5 Higher Education Credits

Course code: G1INFE

Valid from: Spring 2026

Department of Ethnology, History of Religions and Gender Studies (ERG)

### **Prerequisites and special admittance requirements**

In order to qualify for this course, the student must be enrolled as a PhD student at Stockholm university, or the equivalent at another university. The course is open to all PhD students at all faculties.

### **Learning outcomes**

After accomplishing the course, the student has demonstrated a capacity to:

- account for and critically discuss key theoretical strands within the feminist intellectual tradition
- account for, explain and critically examine central concepts in feminist theory
- critically address and analyze the significance of historical and geographical context in relation to feminist knowledge production
- apply the presented concepts and theories to a selected research problem, preferably related to their own PhD project
- communicate the above-mentioned capacities in a written as well as oral form

### **Content**

The purpose of the course is to introduce feminist theory to doctoral students from disciplines where gender perspectives are less commonly applied. With in-depth studies in feminist epistemology, feminist decolonial theory, intersectionality, and queer theory, the course explores the historical development and contemporary strands of feminist intellectual tradition. It also addresses the importance of historical and geographical context in relation to feminist knowledge production. Students are encouraged to explore feminist approaches within their own research field during the course.

### **Mandatory exams**

The course includes four compulsory components: three lectures/seminars focusing on different theoretical themes, and a concluding full-day seminar where students present their own analyses. Absences may be compensated to a limited extent through written assignments.

### **Forms of examination**

The course is examined through active participation in the seminars, writing of a paper, and an oral presentation.

### **Form of instruction**

Instruction is given in English.