COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION

| Course Unit Title | Code |
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| WORKSHOP: LEADERSIP AND GENDER |  |


| Lecturer(s) | Department(s) |
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| Study cycle | Type of the course unit |
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| First | Compulsory |


| Mode of delivery | Course unit delivery period | Language (s) of instruction |
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| Face-to-face | 3 (autumn) semester | English |

## Requirements for students <br> Pre-requisites: - $\quad$ Co-requisites (if any): -

| Number of credits allocated | Total student's workload | Contact hours | Self-study hours |
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| 3 | 80 | 24 | 56 |

## Purpose of the course unit: programme competences to be developed

The aim of this course is to introduce students to gender issues in politics and international relations: basic concepts, theoretical approaches and political thought to engage with these concepts; to develop their ability to analyze gender influences on state and power relations, security and international environment, to evaluate the impact of gender on our perceptions and understanding of women in leadership positions; to encourage contemporary debates regarding issues of gender, equality and gender narratives affecting women who seek or hold positions of authority allowing students to interpret, analyze, judge and participate in these debates with a newly gained theoretical and practical knowledge striving for a more equal and just world.

| Learning outcomes of the course unit |
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| Students will be able to identify various <br> theories and conceptions of state, gender and <br> power as well recognize past and present <br> divisive issues from different <br> perspectives. |

Students will gain knowledge on leadership theory and will be able to apply it to assess spheres of power and influence and gendered obstacles arising in them.

Students will familiarize with gender issues in the field of international relations and security and how these issues influence the global order.
Students will be able to recognize and apply strategies that can be employed by men and women seeking advancement of women in leadership positions.
Students will be able to identify gendered obstacles that might exist in different professional settings and provide recommendations for various gender equality policies to be implemented.

## Teaching and learning methods

Problem oriented lecture, seminar discussions (text analysis, comparative assessment and systemic analysis of practical issues, case study, oral presentations on assigned topics, group presentations), individual studies Individual assignments and reflection, group activities, seminar discussions (text analysis, comparative assessment and systemic analysis of practical issues, case study, oral presentations on assigned topics, group presentations), individual studies

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Assessment methods

Participation in class activities and discussions, final project

Students will be able to engage in dialogue and debate in an argumentative, clear and logical manner when dealing with contested and controversial issues while analyzing and evaluating influence of gender stereotypes on political representation, policy and decision making.
Students will be able to actively and productively participate and collaborate in cross-cultural team activities, as well as to ensure group members integration by applying ethical values and moral sensibility in respect to cultural and social diversity
Students will identify and respect diverse backgrounds and perspectives, be familiar with the notion of equality and the principle of non-discrimination and apply this knowledge to the resolution of ethical and other professional dilemmas while working in a miscellaneous team.
Students will be able to critically reflect and evaluate potential social, legal and ethical consequences of own's actions related to gender issues, as well as to take responsibility in managing equality questions.

Tutorials (individual assignments and reflection, group activities), seminar discussions (text analysis, comparative assessment and systemic analysis of practical issues, case study, oral presentations on assigned topics, group presentations), individual studies

Group activities (discussions, presentations)

Seminar discussions (text analysis, comparative assessment and systemic analysis of practical issues, case study, oral presentations on assigned topics, group presentations), tutorials (individual assignments and reflection, group activities),

|  | Contact hours |  |  |  |  |  |  | Self-study: hours and assignments |  |
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| Content: breakdown of the topics | 䊍 |  |  |  | Laboratory activities |  |  |  | Assignments |
| 1. Theoretical debate on state, power and gender <br> - Conceptual dichotomies <br> - Categories of analysis <br> - Intersection of gender and politics <br> - Debates in the feminist literature | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  | 4 | 3 | Mary Wollstonecraft, $A$ Vindication of the Rights of Women, Penguin Classics, 2004; <br> Simone De Beauvoir, "Introduction" in The Second Sex, Vintage, 2011, p 3-20. |
| 2. Women in society <br> - Suffrage <br> - The Glass Ceiling/Glass Cliff/Glass Escalator <br> - Popular expectations and social norms |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | Mona Lena Krook and Sarah Childs, "Chapter 1: An Introduction" in Women, Gender, and Politics: a Reader, Oxford: OUP, 210, p. 3-14. Pamela Paxton, Marie Melanie M. Hughes, and Tiffany Barnes, Chapter 2 "Women Struggle for the Vote: The History of Women's Suffrage" in Women, politics, and power: A global perspective, Lanham: Rowman \& Littlefield, 2020, p. 28-56. |
| 3. Politics and representation <br> - Women and power <br> - Work and sexual division of labour <br> - Representation of women and women in office |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson, eds., chapters 1 and 4 in Representation: The case of women, Oxford: OUP, p 1-17 and p. 58-78. |
| 4. Women and leadership <br> - Concepts of leadership <br> - Gender and leader's identity |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | Chapter 1 ("Leadership") in Rosenbach, W.E., Taylor, R.L., \& Youndt, M.A. (Eds.). Contemporary Issues in |


| •Perceptions and representation of <br> women in leadership roles |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Assessment <br> strategy | Weight, <br> percentage | Assessment <br> period | Assessment criteria |
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| Participation <br> in class <br> activities <br> and <br> discussions | 40 | During <br> semester | Students will be expected to demonstrate both the knowledge gained during <br> the course, as well as their abilities to apply it in a given situation. <br> Assessment of participation in class activities and discussions consists of: <br> a) the capability to identify the most significant features related to the <br> particular topic; <br> b) the capability to provide orally clear arguments in support of their points <br> made in a logical, coherent and structured manner; <br> c) the level of participation in discussions by offering thoughtful remarks, <br> demonstrating active listening and contributing to colleagues' ideas; <br> d) constructive and productive engagement with the group activities. |
| Final Project | 60 | At the end <br> of the <br> semester | Project is based on the idea of the project-based learning. It is a deeper <br> exploration of a specific case through gender lenses. Students will have to <br> pick an organization/policy area which they want to analyze and present <br> preparing a joint project outcome. The assessment of a work will be based <br> on: |


|  |  | - a comprehensive problem analysis and creative and critical efforts to apply <br> knowledge gained through reading materials (40\% of grade); <br> - efficient and convincing presentation (10\% of grade); <br> - classroom discussions to a specific problem/case (10\% of grade). |
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| Author | Year of publica tion | Title | Issue of periodical or volume of publication | Publishing place and house or web link |
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| Compulsory reading |  |  |  |  |
| Mary Wollstonecraft | 2004 | A Vindication of the Rights of Women | $11^{\text {th }}$ edition | Penguin Classics |
| Simone De Beauvoir | Several | The Second Sex |  | Several |
| Mona Lena Krook and Sarah Childs | 2010 | Women, Gender, and Politics: a Reader |  | Oxford University Press |
| Pamela Paxton, Marie Melanie M. Hughes, and Tiffany Barnes | 2020 | Women, politics, and power: A global perspective |  | Rowman \& Littlefield Publishers |
| Georgina Waylen et al., eds. | 2013 | The Oxford handbook of gender and politics |  | Oxford University Press |
| Deborah L. Rhode | 2017 | Women and leadership |  | Oxford University Press |
| Christopher Y. Olivola, and Alexander Todorov | 2010 | Elected in 100 milliseconds: Appearance-based trait inferences and voting | Journal of nonverbal behavior 34 (2) |  |
| Maria C. EscobarLemmon and Michelle <br> M. Taylor-Robinson, eds | 2014 | Representation: The case of women |  | Oxford University Press |
| W.E. Rosenbach, R.L Taylor, \& M.A. Youndt, (Eds.). | 2012 | Contemporary Issues in Leadership |  | Routledge |
| Emanuela Lombardo | 2003 | EU Gender Policy: Trapped in the Wollstonecraft Dilemma? | European journal of women's studies 10 (2), |  |
| Kathleen R. Carter | 2010 | Should International <br> Relations Consider Rape a Weapon of War? | Politics \& Gender 6 (3) |  |
| Katie Willis | 2018 | Gender, development and human rights: exploring global governance | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Geography, } \\ & \text { 103(2), } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Amy Gallo |  | Act Like a Leader before You are One | Harvard <br> Business <br> Review, $91(5), 2013 .$ |  |
| Recommended reading |  |  |  |  |
| Sanchez-Hucles, Janis V., and Donald D. Davis. | 2010 | Women and women of color in leadership: Complexity, identity, and intersectionality |  | American Psychologist 65 (3) |
| TED TALK | 2010 | Sheryl Sandberg: Why We Have Too Few Women Leaders |  | https://www.ted.com/talks/sh eryl sandberg why we hav e too few women leaders? 1 anguage=en |
| Jill S. Greenlee et al. | 2018 | Helping to break the glass ceiling? Fathers, first daughters, and presidential vote choice in 2016 |  | Political Behavior (2018): 141 |
| Katie Willis | 2018 | Gender, development and human rights: exploring global governance |  | Geography 103 (2), 70-77. |
| Raewyn Connell, | 2016 | Masculinities in global perspective: Hegemony, contestation, and changing structures of power |  | Theory and Society, 45(4), 303-318. |


| Alice Hendrickson <br> Eagly | 2007 | Through the labyrinth: The <br> truth about how women <br> become leaders | Harvard Business Press |
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