Unitar Online Catalogue

Gender Matters - PTP.2026.16

Peace

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□□ :	Web-based
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The term gender has become central in contemporary literature about development, security and conflict. It is often invoked in post-war contexts in relation to the disproportionate and unequal effects of war on men and women. But what do we mean by the term gender, especially when we are referring to individuals and relations at local and global levels?

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This course aims to introduce the concept of gender through different theoretical perspectives. In addition to a theoretical overview, examples from everyday life will be discussed to illustrate the fact that gender is everywhere. The course offers various lenses through which you can look at the complex concept of gender and the inequalities that exist in your environment.

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At the end of the course participants will be able to:

- Define gender as socially embedded;
- Describe key gender-related terms;
- Distinguish between different conceptualizations of gender;
- Identify sources of gender inequality in their environment.

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The course is composed of 8 sections:

- Section 1: Defining gender.
- Section 2: Sex vs gender.
- Section 3: Gender as a social construct.
- Section 4: Gender as a shared identity.
- Section 5: Gender as order.
- Section 6: Gender as power hierarchy.
- Section 7: Gender stereotypes.
- Section 8: The UN approach to gender.

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The course is a self-guided, self-paced, web-based course that is on-going and can be accessed at any time. The material is presented in an interactive visual and text format with web-based reference resources. Multiple choice quizzes at the end of each lesson serve a dual function of assessing and evaluating the students’ understanding and retention and provide a further didactic function by reviewing the content.

At the successful completion of the course participants will be awarded with a badge.

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Primary audience: The course is designed for anyone who has an interest in the concept of gender and gender equality.

Secondary audience: The course is geared towards anyone who wishes to garner a baggage of basic knowledge to then pursue more advanced courses in conflictology, notably UNITAR’s Master's Degree in Lifelong Learning in Conflict, Peace and Security de UNITAR.

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Technical Requirements

UNITAR recommends the following as a minimum in hardware and software to take our e-Learning courses. Please consult your Network Administrator or Systems person to ensure that you have the following:

Hardware requirements
- Desktop or laptop computer with Windows 10 or MacOS version 11 and later
- Tablet or mobile devices are not fully supported on some course tools
- Stable LAN or Wifi Internet connection

Browser
- Latest version of Mozilla Firefox (download for free at https://www.mozilla.org)
- Latest version of Google Chrome (download for free at https://www.google.com/chrome)
- Microsoft Edge or Safari (included in your computer)

Other software
- PDF reader (download for free at https://get.adobe.com/uk/reader)
- Microsoft Office for Windows or MacOS (compatible software can be downloaded at http://www.openoffice.org/)
- Video player (Quicktime for MacOS, Windows Media Player or compatible video player)
- Anti-virus

Other requirements
- Disable Pop-up blockers
- Enable cookies and java
- webcam and audio headset for courses that will require online meetings
- additional storage in case you need to download course materials.