

SYLLABUS

Name of the course:	Feminist Economics			
Teacher:	Judith Walzl BSc, MA			
University / organisation:	Hochschule für Wirtschaft und Recht Berlin (HWR Berlin)			
Language of teaching:	English			
ECTS:	6,5			
Semester (S1, S2, S3 or S4):	S1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S2	S3	S4
Teaching method(s):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lecture courses		<input type="checkbox"/> Flipped classroom	
	Other:	Interactive & participatory classroom environment		
Type(s) of evaluation:	<input type="checkbox"/> Sitting exam		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written report	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Oral defence		<input type="checkbox"/> Group project	
	Other / comments:	Course participation		
Expected deadline(s) for the evaluation(s)				
Expected date of final results:				
Summary of the content:	<p>This course introduces students to core debates in Feminist Economics, with a focus on power, inequality, and the gendered nature of economic life. We explore key themes including intersectionality, care work, labour markets, macroeconomics, development, and ecological and social crises—drawing from both Global North and Global South perspectives. Through a mix of classical and contemporary readings, students engage with feminist critiques of mainstream economics and explore alternative visions for policy, research, and social provisioning. The course is grounded in critical discussion, interdisciplinary methods, and a strong emphasis on structural change.</p>			

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Indicative list of lectures:

Session Topics

1. INTRODUCTION to Feminist Economics

Theory - School of Thoughts - Economists

2. INTERSECTIONALITY: It is more than GENDER!

Black - Queer - Trans - Migrant

3. CARE & WORK: The value of (un)paid work

Dependencies - Households - State

4. LABOUR MARKET & everyone who isn't a white, cis man

Similarities - Differences - Penalties

5. METHODS

Mixed Methods - Data - Policy

6. MACROEconomics and Feminism

Growth - Distribution - Globalization

7. MONEY

International Institutions - Distribution - Impact

8. DEVELOPMENT

Narrative - Knowledge - Interests

9. CRISIS

Economic & Financial - Ecological - Social

10. ECOLOGY

Ecofeminism - Activism - Connection

11. COMMONS: Alternatives and Utopia

Solidarity - Community - Reality

12. SEX

Commodity - Desire - Violence

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Short bibliography:

- Alyssa Schneebaum (unpublished) - **The Gender of Economics**
- Rose M. Brewer, Cecilia A. Conrad & Mary C. King (2002) - **The Complexities and Potential of Theorizing Gender, Caste, Race, and Class**
- Elizabeth Tilley & Marc Kalina (2021) - **My Flight Arrives at 5 am, Can You Pick Me Up?: The Gatekeeping Burden of the African Academic**
- Hironori Onuki (2018) - **Transnational care work and the 'care crisis'**
- Shahra Razawi (2007) - **The Political and Social Economy of Care in a Development Context** (p. 1-17)
- Kienscherf, Markus., & Thumm, Clara. (2024) - **Social Reproduction Under Lockdown: Capital, Labor, and Gender**
- Diane Elson (1999): **Labor Markets as Gendered Institutions: Equality, Efficiency and Empowerment Issues**
- Martin E. Andresen & Emily Nix (2022) - **What Causes the Child Penalty? Evidence from Adopting and Same-Sex Couples**
- Matthew Shannon (2022) - **Labour Market Outcomes for Transgender Individuals**
- Stephanie Seguino (2017) - **Engendering Macroeconomic Theory and Policy**
- Diane Elson (2009) - **Macroeconomic Policy and Employment Generations: Gender Dimensions**
- Maureen Were and Jane Kiringai (2002) - **Gender Mainstreaming in Macroeconomic Policies and Poverty Reduction Strategy in Kenya**, p.1-8
- Martina Metzger & Brigitte Young (2020) - **No Gender Please: We're Central Bankers: Distributional Impacts of Quantitative Easing**
- Bilge Erten & Martina Metzger (2019) - **The real exchange rate, structural change, and female labor force participation**
- Naila Kabeer (2017) - **Marriage, Motherhood and Masculinity in the Global Economy: Reconfigurations of Personal and Economic Life**, p.1-27
- Nicole Detraz & Dursun Peksen (2016) - **The Effect of IMF Programs on Women's Economic and Political Rights**
- Martha McDonald (1995) - **Feminist economics: from theory to research**
- Jane E. Miller & Yana van der Meulen Rodgers (2008) - **Economic importance and statistical significance: Guidelines to communicate empirical research**
- Corinna Dengler & Miriam Lang (2021) - **Commoning Care: Feminist Degrowth Visions for a Socio-Ecological Transformation**
- Anupam Pandey (2013) - **Globalization and Ecofeminism in the South: Keeping the 'Third World' Alive"**
- Lyn Ossome (2017): **Integrating Sexual and Economic Justice: Challenges of queer feminist activism against sexual violence in South Africa**
- Silvia Federici (2010): **Feminism and the politics of the common in an era of primitive accumulation**