

**SOAN*3100 Gender Perspectives on Families and Households
Fall 2022**

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Course Description:

This course explores families and households from a gender perspective, using insights from sociology, anthropology, and interdisciplinary fields. We will begin by discussing what it means to be a family in different global contexts and examining family structures which challenge the normative nuclear family. We will explore family issues through a gendered lens and examine how gendered identities shape our family and household roles within the public and private sphere. Using both traditional and critical viewpoints, we will examine how gendered and sexual identities shape our experiences of family and household roles; and how these identities intersect with other identities (e.g. cultural, racial, and class identities) and societal institutions (e.g. workplace norms, available resources, and social policy). Additionally, we will examine how our lived experiences within the family system shape our gendered identities and our expectation of what it means to be a “good family member”.

Format of Delivery:

It is expected that the course will primarily take place in person. This is subject to change based on university expectations/policies for the Fall 2022 semester.

Evaluation Scheme

Assessment	% of Final
Tests*	40%
Written Reflection	10%
Group Case Study	20%
Final Project	20%
Participation	10%
Total	100%

**Tests will be worth 20% of final grade each. Both tests will consist of approximately 20 multiple choice and 2 short answer questions.*

Required Textbook (and other materials, available via ARES):

Fox, Bonnie. 2014. *Family Patterns, Gender Relations (4th Edition)*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Note: This draft outline is for informational purposes only and may change. A complete syllabus will be available at the start of term.