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V (+ AK) Gender Studies and Literature: Wed (3) HSZ 403

An Introduction

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This lecture is a thorough introduction to the ever expanding field of Gender Studies. We will not only trace the historical development of notions of femininity and masculinity from Aristotle and the Bible to the present, but the lecture will also provide an introduction to the major theoretical branches of Gender Studies such as Women Studies, Deconstructive Feminism, Masculinity Studies and Transgender and Intersex Studies. Special attention will be given to the interrelatedness of language, sexuality and the construction of identity. In order to bridge the gap between theory and history on the one hand and literature and 'real life' on the other, we will read and analyse *Nice Work* by David Lodge.

Please buy:

David Lodge. Nice Work. London: Penguin, 1989.

A syllabus and a comprehensive bibliography will be available in the first session in October.

This lecture is accompanied by an **Arbeitskreis** (AK/SAG) for students in the M.Ed. and in the old M.A. program: *Schwerpunktmodul Literaturwissenschaft* (5 KP). This AK starts in the second week of classes.