



**UGC CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES, DIBRUGARH UNIVERSITY**  
**VALUE ADDED COURSE IN WOMEN'S STUDIES**

**Course Title** : **Gender Sensitization**  
**Course Code** : **VACWS-01**  
**Nature of Course** : **Value Added Course**  
**Total Credits** : **2 Credits**  
**Distribution of Marks** : **30(End-Sem.)+20(In-Sem.)**

**Course Objective:** The instructional objectives of this Course are:

- Enable and sensitize the students with regard to the core issues of gender
- Provide an understanding of gender as a social and cultural construct
- Understanding the legal provisions which are aimed at the overall upliftment of the status of women of the country

UNITS– Based on End Sem. Marks*	COURSE CONTENTS	L	T	P	LTP (30hrs.)
<b>Unit – I</b> (15 Marks)	<b>Conceptualizing Gender</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sex and Gender</li> <li>• Patriarchy</li> <li>• Femininity and Masculinity</li> <li>• Sexual Division of Labour</li> <li>• Gender Discrimination</li> <li>• Gender Stereotyping</li> <li>• Gender Socialization</li> <li>• Glass Ceiling</li> </ul>	13	02	-	15
<b>Unit – II</b> (15 Marks)	<b>Gender and Indian Society</b> Gender Based Violence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Phenomenon of Domestic Violence and Domestic Violence Act 2005</li> <li>• Understanding Dowry and Dowry Prohibition Act</li> <li>• An Analysis of Rape and IPC</li> <li>• The concept of Sexual Harassment and Sexual Harassment Act 2013</li> </ul>	13	02	-	15
<b>Total:</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30</b>

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*L: Lectures*

*T: Tutorials*

*P: Practical*

**MODES OF FIN-SEMESTER ASSESSMENT:****(20 Marks)**

- One Internal Examination - **10 Marks**
- Others (Anyone) - **10 Marks**
  - Group Discussion
  - Seminar presentation on any of the relevant topics
  - Debate

**Learning Outcomes:**

On completion of this Course, a student will be able to—

- develop the conceptual understanding of various key concepts of gender
- identify the way gender relations operate in social life
- acquire knowledge on gender sensitization
- Understand the legal issues and provisions in India that help in determining the level of equality and empowerment for all.

**Suggested Readings:**

- Agarwal, Bina. (Ed.) (1988). *Structures of Patriarchy: State, Community and Household*
- Agnes, Flavia (2010). *Law, Justice, and Gender: Family Law and Constitutional Provisions*
- Bhasin, Kamla (2004). *Exploring Masculinity*. New Delhi: Kalika Women
- Bhasin, Kamla (2004). *What is Patriarchy?*. New Delhi: Kalika Women
- Dhagamwar, Vasudha (1999). *Law, Power and Justice: the protection of personal rights in the Indian penal code*. New Delhi: Sage Publications.
- Gamble, Sarah (2001). *The Routledge Companion to Feminism and Postfeminism*. London:
- Gupta, Krishna. (2001). *Women Law and Public Opinion*. Jaipur: Rawat Publications.
- *in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- *in Modernizing Asia*. New Delhi: Kalika Women
- Jain, Devaki & Pam Rajput. (2003). *Narratives from the Women's Studies Family: Recreating Knowledge*. New Delhi.: Sage Publications
- Jayasen, Indira (Ed.). (2004). *Law Relating to Sexual Harassment at the Workplace*. New Delhi: Universal Law Publishing
- Kramer, Laura, (2004). *The Sociology of Gender*. New Delhi: Rawat Publications
- Lerner, Gerda. (1986). *The Creation of Patriarchy*. USA: Oxford University Press. New Delhi: Vikas Routledge.
- Sarkar, Lotika and Sivaramayya, B. (Ed.) (1994) *Women and Law: Contemporary Problems*.