

# CONTEMPORARY GENDER & MEDICINE

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In America, the National Institute of Health (NIH) did not require women to be included in biomedical research until the 1990s. This means that until just thirty years ago, doctors and researchers in the United States knew little about holistic health in non-cisgender male bodies. This course charts the following thirty

years of gender-conscious interventions and their effect on the American concept of “health” itself. How has the push to treat chronic pain disorders prevalent in women changed the definition of “pain” in medicine? How has trans\* and nonbinary activism for gender-affirming care reshaped doctor-patient relations? These questions and others will be addressed in two ways: First, by studying the history of recent institutional medical culture through a gender studies lens, and second, by tracing the ways that key terms in the field have evolved in these years.

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MW 10am-12:30pm  
Six Week Session