Gender is a key organising principle of human societies, founding inequalities, exploitations, and exclusions of many kinds. Social movements around the world have long sought to combat discrimination based on gender and its intersections with sexual orientation, race, class, and other status distinctions. Today there are a range of policies and laws geared towards accomplishing this goal, often with varying effects. We are also witnessing a virulent backlash to struggles for equality in conjunction with populist rhetoric.

The Gender specialisation applies a critical gender lens to issues of economic development, violent conflict, human rights, global health, decolonisation, and reproductive politics, making visible the way power relations based on multiple axes of difference inhabit these phenomena. It also explores movement politics and policy interventions, tracking their successes and conundrums.

The goal of this specialisation is to teach students the history and politics of struggles for equality, and to equip them with the theoretical and methodological tools to analyse oppression in its diverse forms.

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