

ZIF

The **Centre for Interdisciplinary Women's and Gender Studies** is a joint centre at the **HAWK** University for Applied Sciences and Arts of Hildesheim/Holzminden/Göttingen and the **University of Hildesheim**. It was founded in 2001.

Objectives

The ZIF aims to integrate, institutionalize, expand and promote Women's and Gender Studies in teaching and research at the cooperating universities, taking into account as many academic disciplines as possible. It further aims to develop and maintain a network of regional, national and international contacts. The ZIF initiates, supports and carries out interdisciplinary as well as interuniversity research projects and discussion opportunities in the field of Women's and Gender Studies. Furthermore, the ZIF works towards promoting young academic talent.

Offers

The ZIF regularly organizes guest lectures, conferences, workshops, research colloquia in the field of Gender Studies and publishes research results in its book series „Focus Gender“ (LIT Verlag Hamburg). It offers several other services like a central survey of the courses in Women's and Gender Studies at both universities, which is published on the ZIF website. Additional courses are organized through lectureships and guest professorships. Research consulting services on the financial support are available and regular information on conferences and Call for Papers concerning with Women's and Gender Studies.

Main areas of teaching, research and counselling:

Organization and Gender

- Study of the effects of gender specific support programs in organizations based on the example of mentoring programs
- Women in corporate management and as entrepreneurs
- The significance of networks for the interconnection of theory and practice in Women's and Gender Studies

Gender Structures in the Welfare State

- Socio-historical studies on opportunities in education and careers for women and girls from an international perspective
- Legal and socio-pedagogical perspectives on pregnancy for young women in difficult social situations
- Violence as a structure characteristic of gender systems
- Legal and economic dimensions of change in the gender division of labor

Mediality and Gender

- The construction of images of gender in the media
- Gender in scenic spaces
- New Media and Gender
- Performativität und Performance von Gender

Gender and Interculturality

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