GSWS 100-3: SEX TALK: INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN SEXUALITY STUDIES (Breadth-Humanities.)

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Course Description:
Students are introduced to major contemporary issues in sexuality studies through an exploration of how sex is portrayed in different media contexts. We will also examine the underlying political, social, and philosophical contexts of these sexual representations. Topics covered include: an overview of contemporary theories of sexuality; debates on the sexualization of culture; new media and sexual publicity/privacy; screen culture and the cinematic language of sex; celebrity culture and the narrative of sex scandal; discourses of sexual identity.

Educational Goals:
I Display disciplinary knowledge of core concepts of gender and sexuality.
II Develop Transferable Skills and Information Literacy.
IV Analyze assess, and apply interdisciplinary approaches to gender and sexuality.
For more detailed information please see the GSWS website: http://www.sfu.ca/gsws/courses/Educational_Goals.html

Course Texts and Courseware:
All required articles will be available electronically through SFU library. Links will be available on Canvas.

Course Evaluation and Assignments:
Tutorial Attendance & Participation 20%
Mid-Term Exam (In-class) 30%
Research Assignment 20%
Final Exam (Take-home) 30%

Prerequisite: Students who have completed GDST 200 may not complete this course for further credit.