

What do you differentiate the discipline of Gender studies from that of the studies of Women studies? Historically trace the need for the establishment of Gender studies as a distinct discipline and its scope and significance with special reference to Pakistan.

Introduction:

Gender studies is derived from women studies but it covers universal aspects whereas women studies only deals with the problems and identity issues of women. When women realized their identity, they raised their voices they fought for their identity. Whereas the Women studies talks about the identities of all genders.

Difference between Gender studies and Women studies.

Gender studies	Women Studies.
It emerged in early 1990s	It emerged in 1960s
Not Confine but universal	Confine only for one gender.
Rights and Identity issues	Rights and Identity

of all gender	is only about women
Many movements	only feminist movement
multidisciplinary	interdisciplinary
discuss professional	discuss professional
problems of all	barrier only for one
gender	gender (women)
social behaviour	Patriarchy
More than one	only one gender
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Historical development:

Gender studies is derived from the women studies. Whereas women studies emerged when women realized that they are confined only for specific roles. The first course of women studies start at San Diego University and in Kent they started first M-A and the Emory university started Ph.D. It emerged 1960s whereas gender studies emerged 1990s.

Narrowness versus universality:

Women studies confine only for women. Gender studies discuss the issues of all genders. It discuss the problems of all gender therefore

is called universal

Women issues vs all gender issues:

It discusses only the issues of women whereas like the problems social barriers of women, domestic violence, exploitation of rights. Whereas in Gender studies they discuss the exploitation of rights of all genders

Concept of society vs Patriarchy:

The women studies discuss male is the basic reason for the the exploitation of both women's rights whereas the gender studies discuss the concept of exploitation of rights is not only male but the social behaviour with the other genders also become the cause of the exploitation of rights.

Objectives of Women and Gender studies

The main objective of Gender studies is to eradicate social barriers for all gender where they can easily access their rights whereas the main objective of women studies is to eradicate the male dominance in

all society.

Stereotypes of society:

Women studies talks about the women's stereotypes in society that women should confine themselves domestic chores etc whereas gender studies discusses the stereotypes of all gender in society.

Professional opportunities:

Women studies talks about the professional barriers like gender wages various specialized professions for women like women can do only teaching or nursing etc whereas gender studies discusses the various gender ceiling and wages discrimination barrier of all gender. It promotes that all genders have access to all professions.

multidisciplinary vs interdisciplinary:

Gender studies is a multidisciplinary subject. It discusses the universality whereas the Women studies only confines it to women therefore it is interdisciplinary field of subject.

Q Raising consciousness and Women vs gender studies:

Women studies raises consciousness about women's role in society. Whereas the Gender-studies discusses the role of other genders in society. It promotes awareness the equality of all genders.

Women Studies in Pakistan

Introduction:

Women is an important part of our country. The women has played an essential role in society. 64% of the total population is based on women. If women confines themselves in domestic chores then how we can become a developed country. Women studies promotes the role of women in society.

Historical background of women studies in Pakistan:

Women studies emerged in Pakistan in 1970s. In 1980s the

various wanted to promote women studies in Pakistan. The Ministry of Women Development established CEWS which promotes the rights of women in society. CEWS programme was established in 1989 the Women studies started at academic level in 1989 in five universities.

The Scope/role of Women Studies in Pakistan

(i) Patriarchal concept:

Our country is based on male dominate society in which women don't have opportunity to promote their skills.

Therefore women studies promotes the individual role and identity of women to society.

(ii) Women becomes victim at various field:

Women becomes victim at various field whether at domestic or at professional level. As the latest report of CEWS shows that the people of south Punjab and interior Sindh still uses the women for the

settlement of their disputes and kill at the name of honor. Women studies in Pakistan highlights this exploitation of women at rural and urban areas

Wages discrimination:

Wages discrimination can also be observed at various field. Women studies highlights the ratio of wages discrimination in Pakistan and raises their voices to eradicate this type of scenario.

Various Feminist movement in Pakistan:

Various Feminist movement in Pakistan is the production of women's studies' awareness at various field and therefore these movements highlights the various issues. As the movement of "My body My will" promotes the awareness that women has the right to spend their life according their own will. no one can exploit them at the name of honor or dispute settlement.

Foeticides and Women Studies:

Foeticide is one of

the major problem in the world. Total 4.2 million foeticide attempt in Pakistan. World but 1.2 million foeticide was attempted in Pakistan in 2014.

The women studies promotes awareness about the importance of girl.

Basic Rights and Women Studies:

The basic right is the life, property and liberty.

This right is the right of every gender.

In Pakistan women studies promotes the awareness of these rights in Pakistan.

Women empowerment Programmes

There are various women empowerment programme also promotes the opportunity of earning at economic level. They participate in economic fields. The programme like stitching, sewing and domestic industry also promotes due to the role of women studies. Women studies guides us that how govt took initiatives for women.

Women's Political Participation and Women Studies:

Women studies promotes the awareness about the role of women at political level. It is the outcome of women studies awareness that women's participation in parliament is increasing.

Conclusion:

Gender studies discusses various gender like LGBT, male, female whereas Women studies discuss only one gender that female. Gender studies emerged in the third wave of feminism whereas the Women studies holds on the ground of Radical feminism and discuss only about women's problems in society. Pakistan also has wider scope of Women studies due to the emergence of Women studies the society is now adopt gradually.

"One is not born a woman,

One becomes one"

(Simon de Beauvoir)

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Write a Comprehensive note on "sex vs Gender debate" in Feminist philosophy and social sciences, reflecting nature vs nurture arguments?

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Introduction:

The debate on nature vs nurture is one of the most important and controversial debate at Feministic and social level. Some argues that gender is the product of sex whereas the other feminist argues that the gender is the product of social behaviour.

Difference between sex and Gender:

Sex	Gender
Nature	Nurture
Natural role performance	social role performance according to society
Fixed	variable
Universal identified by organs	Identified through behaviour and dressing.

Biological versus sociological perspectives:

A gender can be identified according to biological perspectives because various biological identities recognize whether the baby is a girl or a boy. He or she develops its characteristics according to their gender. Whereas sociological perspectives argues that society learns that how to behavior in a society.

Nature versus Nurture:

Through the various identification like through genitalia a doctor determine whether the girl or boy. Whereas the sociologist argue that society learns a person that how he behaves in a society like it can be said mostly to men.

"Be behave like man"

because society learns that a boy is the symbol of bravery.

Universal versus unfixed:

According to biological development a gender is universal any person can recognize through various traits.

The gender is developed through sex

not by society. Whereas the nurture debate argues that the gender unfixed because it is developed according to social behaviour of a person. If society provides an environment to a boy of Feministic traits then he will also behave like a girl not a man because society teaches him the traits of girl.

Traits of gender variable and non variable:

According to biological point of view the gender behave according to its own traits and not according to social construction.

Various Masculine and Feminine traits and gen Nature vs Nurture

Weak vs Strong:

According to the debate of Nature. the male is strong because Nature ^{made} ~~makes~~ him muscular and female are weak because nature gives ~~her~~ reproductive role.

Whereas nurture shows that there are various society in the world where female has the great strength rather than male.

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breadwinner versus reproductive role:

Women are weak therefore they have productive role according to nature. Whereas man is masculine he has great strength therefore earning is his duty. Whereas nurture debate indicates that the women can also perform various jobs and earn bread she has great strength. As Quaid-e-Azam said,

"A country cannot make progress if a women do not work side by side with men"

Quaid-e-Azam.

So, it is the nurture or society which specifies the role to various gender. Like in South Africa in ancient time Women played her role like a breadwinner and men had to perform domestic chores.

Activeness and learning:

According to nature it is proved that men has more interested in tackling various mathematical problems. He can perform good in management role. Whereas women are good in learning.

various language. She is good for interactions with others. Whereas Nurture debate argues that it is not nature which teach you as a good ski' expert in specific field. It is society which injects the stereotypes about girls and boys.

Harshness versus softness:

A man is considered to be harsh and strict in various matters.

Whereas women considered to be as the soft and delicate in nature. The nurture

debate argues that harshness and softness only depends on the social behaviour towards

girls or a boy. As when a girl born the gifts give is giving in form of dolls or delicate toys whereas for boys giving a car or other

hard type of object in the world. The society provides a delicate environment to girl

As Mary walstone Craft said

"This inhibits their abilities both physical and intellectual."

(Mary wollstonecraft)

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(Mary Wollstonecraft)

Conclusion:

The debate between nature vs nurture is very controversial because it is based on the both. Society is constructed gender on binary division role whereas sex or nature constructs or determine gender according to the physical traits of a person like XX, XY chromosome, voice pitch, genital vs virginia, etc.