

KRIM4953

Exam paper

“Simply naming gender does not mean that our analysis is gendered – indeed, gender-based violence can be a worryingly gender-neutral term which flattens important differences in terms of who is doing what to whom, in which contexts, to which effects and to whose overall benefit,” states Karen Boyle (2019: 32) in one of the articles on your reading list. How and why can gender be a useful lens for understanding sexual violence as a social phenomenon? Define the scope of your essay, select and make use of relevant course readings, and address and discuss the meaning of gender in relation to sexual violence.

Note that the exam aims to test and assess your understanding of relevant readings from the course literature, the connections between them, and your ability to reflect upon and discuss central concepts and topics addressed in the course.

Reference:

Boyle, K. (2019). What’s in a name? Theorising the Inter-relationships of gender and violence. *Feminist Theory*, 20(1), 19–36.

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