The broad goal of the Gender, Sexuality, Embodiment, Affect, Movement, and Space research team is to critically examine the ways in which bodies and environment are shaped by shared cultural experience. The research team has multiple projects in progress which are woven together by the common thread of examining gender from a critical, intersectional feminist perspective. Our view of gender is pluralistic and non-binary (i.e. multiple femininities, masculinities, and sexualities exist).

For more information visit: https://www.depts.ttu.edu/hs/hdfs/research/genderseams/ or contact us at: GenderSEAMS@gmail.com

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Featured Projects

In Navigating Desire: Romance and Body Image among First Year College Women focus groups, emotion mapping, and walking interviews are utilized to explore first year college women’s lived experience by examining the interplay of romance, body image, and use of space.

Ordinary Wars is a transdisciplinary project that re-analyzes and re-presents social science data from two data sets through a live dance performance which makes public the negotiations of women’s ideologies and experiences of singlehood, marriage, and motherhood. Learn more at Ordinarywars.org

In Mapping Sex Trafficking Protocols we are collecting survey data from a large number of hotel employees and will conduct qualitative interviews of managers, concierge and housekeepers and other personnel and law enforcement to identify training and awareness of these professionals centered around sex trafficking.

Sexism | Cinema is an interdisciplinary film series which considers how sexism is embedded, endorsed, and/or challenged in cinema. To date, there have been nine films screened, each of which has been followed by a 30-minute discussion led by TTU faculty members and/or expert guest speakers.

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