Disability Studies (DSST)

Courses

DSST 0825. Marginalized Citizenship: Disability and Sexuality. 3 Credit Hours.
In an age of 24/7 instant information, what happens when headlines and opinions are considered facts? What are the consequences to individuals, communities and society when "headline facts" are the underpinning for legitimatizing fear and biases? Marginalized populations are frequently sidelined from enjoying the life styles and opportunities we assume are available to all Americans. This course will explore the evolution and influence of disability and sexuality and their interconnectedness from the Industrial Revolution through to modern times. Students will be challenged to explore cultural and societal attitudes towards issues such as the quality of life versus sanctity of life argument, at what age is it medically feasible to change one’s gender, and is it ever permissible for a government to exclude sexual activity for a particular group of people.

Course Attributes: GB

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.