



Tübingen - Virtual Intercultural Program

October 5 – December 11, 2026

Course title	Virtual Cultures of Gender Expression
Course content	Gender expressions vary across time and place, and in the last few decades many gender norms have been changed, loosened, or re-defined. Especially in virtual spaces there has both been a surge in progressive gender advocacy as well as counter cultural movements which promote more traditional gender roles and lifestyles. In this course, we will analyze and contextualize the different modes of gender (re-)presentation in online spaces, their political implications, as well as cultural and historical backgrounds of western gender norms and roles. We will get insight into current research and how gender is lived, performed, and advocated for online.
Learning objectives	(1) give students a better overview of the aesthetics of western gender identities online (2) learn how to navigate, analyze, and evaluate gendered content, (3) give an overview of current research on gender expressions on different platforms (4) critical self-reflection of media consumption.
Method of instruction	Critical media consumption, reading, discussions.
Academic hours	2 hours/week on Zoom + 1 hour/week on learning platform.
Course requirements	Advanced English skills, written and oral.
Credits & Grading	4 ECTS
Course language	English
Number of places	Minimum 8
Course instructor	Klara Tolić, MA
Schedule	Course takes place Fridays, at 9:00am (German time) First lesson on Friday, October 9th, at 9:00am (German time)