Gender and Development

This week we will discuss a third feminist approach to development – gender and development. In relation to a focus on men and gender identities we will discuss the ways in which a gender and development approach can take into consideration varied constructions of femininities and masculinities.

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Film: A Few Good Men
Jenny Hunter and Catharina Weinet: South Africa, 2007 DVD
This film documents a research study involving men who are negotiating changes towards gender equity in their intimate relations with women and children. This is the first of two films which examine masculinity and men's changing dynamics around masculine and feminine identity. It invites us to think about the social and psychological processes that contribute to inequality in power relations between men and women.

Required Readings


Jolly, Susie. 2000. "'Queering' Development: Exploring the links between same-sex sexualities, gender, and development", Gender and Development, Vol. 8, No. 1 (IN PACK)

The Fatherhood Project, Human Sciences Research Council, 2004; see www.hsrc.ac.za; loaded onto VULA

Sonke Gender Justice website (ON VULA)