Course description and objective:

This course considers how gender, global travel, and tourism come together in the contemporary world. We will examine gender differences (as well as differences of race, class, sexual orientation, national origin) in the experiences of travelers as well as of those who work in the service industries that accommodate travelers’ needs. We will also examine the gendered and racialized ways in which travel destinations are represented and marketed. Among the questions we will ask are the following: How are “exotic” locations portrayed as feminine? How are men and women treated differently as they participate in transnational currents of tourism? When and where are gender and sexual identities commodified through tourism? How are power relations negotiated and what prospects are there for communities of women and men in the Global south to actively construct the terms of their engagement with travelers from the Global north?

Required books (available at Wild Iris Bookstore, 802 W. University Avenue):


Required course pack (available on E-reserve and at Target Copy).

Grading:

See the following website on current grading policies:
http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/catalog/policies/regulationgrades.html
**Course requirements and policies:**

**Participation**  Full attendance and prompt arrival at all classes is essential and counts for course credit. Students are expected to come to class having done the reading and ready to participate in discussion. Late arrivals and early departures are not acceptable. Occasionally, students will be expected to participate in panel discussions in class.

[15% of course grade]

**Précis**  Students are required to submit a 1-2 page double-spaced entry most weeks on Thursdays in class based on the reading for that week. You should highlight points of importance to the course in your informed and thoughtful assessment of the material. Be sure to check your work for clarity of writing. Note that there are ten assigned due dates.

[15% of course grade]

**Tests**  There will be three tests based on course material, lectures, videos, and discussion. [20% each = 60% of course grade]

**Group presentations** in November and **individual reports** of 4-5 double-spaced pages due during exam week, based on participation in group projects, constitute the final course requirement. [10% of course grade]

**Academic Honesty:**

The University of Florida’s honor code requires all students to be honest in their academic work. University policies on cheating, plagiarism, and related issues are available at: [http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/procedures/academicguide.html](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/procedures/academicguide.html)

**Accommodations:**

Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to me when requesting an accommodation.

**Course readings and assignments:**

Aug 25 (T)  Introduction to Gender, Travel, and Tourism

Aug 27 (Th)  **A Narrative of the Tourism Encounter**  
Video, “Life and Debt”

Sept 1(T)  Kincaid, to end (p 81).

Sept 3 (Th)  E-reserve: article by Vivian Kinnaird, Uma Kathari and Derek Hall, “Tourism: gender perspectives.” Introduction to *Tourism: A Gender*
Analysis. Edited by Vivian Kinnaird and Derek Hall. John Wiley and Sons, 1994, pp 1-34.
Video, “Cannibal Tours”
Précis 1 due

Sept 8 (T) Travel and Tourism: How are they gendered?

Précis 2 due

Sept 15 (T) Community-based Tourism in an Indigenous Society
Zorn, Weaving a Future, to p 50.

Sept 17 (Th) Zorn, to p 81.
Guest lecture: Joe Feldman, Department of Anthropology
Précis 3 due

Sept 22 (T) Zorn, to p 146.
Video, “Can’t Do It in Europe”

Sept 24 (Th) Zorn, to end (p 165)
Précis 4 due

Sept 29 (T) Test 1

Oct 1 (Th) Sex and Romance Tourism

Oct 6 (T) Cabezas, to p 84.
Précis 5 due

Oct 8 (Th) Cabezas, to p 111.
Video, “Heading South”

Oct 13 (T) Cabezas, to end (p 168)
Précis 6 due

Oct 15 (Th) Tourism and Postsocialism

Oct 20 (T) Ghodsee, to p 75.
Oct 22 (Th)  Ghodsee, to p 114.  
Guest lecture: Rachel Harvey, Department of Anthropology  
**Précis 7 due**

Oct 27 (T)  Ghodsee, to p 150.

Oct 29 (Th)  Ghodsee, to end (p 174).  
**Précis 8 due**

Nov 3 (T)  **Test 2**

Nov 5 (Th)  **Queer Tourism: How is travel sexed?**  

Nov 10 (T)  E-reserve, article by Lionel Cantú, “*De Ambiente*: Queer Tourism and the Shifting Boundaries of Mexican Male Sexualities,” in *GLQ* 8(1-2): 139-166.

**Précis 9 due**

Nov 17 (T)  **Group presentations**

Nov 19 (Th)  Group presentations

Nov 24 (T)  Group presentations

Nov 26 (Th)  Thanksgiving holiday

Dec 1 (T)  **Representations of Women in Tourism**  

Dec 3 (Th)  **Revisiting Gender and Tourism**  
Guest lecture: Professor Heather Gibson, Department of Tourism, Leisure, and Service Management

Précis 10 due

Dec 8 (T)  Test 3

Dec 11 (F):  Exam period: Individual reports due in Ustler Hall