

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
 BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – LEVEL 5
 FINAL EXAMINATION – 2024/2025 (Semester I)
 DSU5341 - GENDER POLITICS
 DURATION: THREE (03) HOURS ONLY



Date: 30.03.2025

Time: 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

Instructions:

- There are Nine (09) questions in this paper.
- Answer ONLY Five (05) questions.
- Each question carries Twenty (20) marks.

1. Discuss how **social injustices** shape women's life experiences, and how they can be **challenged**. Support your answer with examples.
(20 Marks)
2. Discuss the **current status of gender equality in Sri Lankan politics and economy** by providing at least **three (03)** examples.
(20 Marks)
3. Explain the theory of **eco-feminism** using a **local or global environmental movement** of your choice.
(20 Marks)
4. How do **feminists** define **power**? Explain.
(20 Marks)
5. Explain with examples the ways in which **LGBTQ+ movements** have **challenged** the **traditional power structures** and influenced **policy changes** globally.
(20 Marks)
6. "**The personal is political.**" Explain the given statement with examples.
(20 Marks)
7. Discuss the **economic and social impact** of valuing and paying for women's **unpaid care work**.
(20 Marks)

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8. Explain your suggestions to address **historical gender injustices** and **emerging challenges**, if you were asked to design a gender-sensitive policy.

(20 Marks)

9. Write short notes on any **TWO (02)** of the following:

- a. Gender mainstreaming.
- b. Intersectionality.
- c. Role of women in peace and conflict.

(10 marks each)

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