

## **1. Género, feminismos e estudos sobre as mulheres**

### **OC - (23146) - MALESTREAM IR: ARE IR FEMINIST THEORIES AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE IR MAINSTREAM?**

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This article delves into the inherently political nature of defining what is 'central' or 'marginal' in the field of International Relations (IR), drawing on insights from Steans (2013). It examines the growing emergence of Feminist IR Theories and questions whether this appearance is proportionally reflected in the broader IR mainstream. The central argument frames that International Relations cannot remain devoid of feminist perspectives but, in fact, must actively embrace feminist theories. Moreover, it contends that just as feminism is not a monolithic framework, similarly, feminist IR theory encompasses a spectrum of perspectives, not all of which offer equal value. This study emphasizes the importance of embedding feminist IR theories within intersectional and emancipatory frameworks. Without this critical dimension, feminist IR risks failing to emerge as a genuine and viable alternative to the IR mainstream.

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