## Anthropology of Sex and Gender

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   1. Sex
      1. Biological (not just sexual dimorphism)
      2. Male/female/hermaphrodite/transsexual
   2. Sexuality
      1. Object of sexual desire
      2. Can be shifting or changing
   3. Gender
      1. The social categories based on physical sexual characteristics and the meaning, behaviors, and values, associated with those categories.” – Ellis, 109
      2. The cultural construction of “femaleness” and “maleness”, or femininity and masculinity
      3. How biological distinctions are made symbolically and socially meaningful
   4. Key Terms
      1. Gender
         1. Socially Constructed
         2. Learned through enculturation throughout childhood
         3. Negotiated
         4. Contested
         5. Not static (like culture)
         6. Can vary cross-culturally
   5. Anthropology of Gender – Today
      1. Grew out of anthropology of women, feminist anthropology
      2. Focuses on femininities and masculinities *and* the relationships of these within society
      3. Multiple masculinities and femininities exist within and across cultures