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Dear academics,

What we believe:

1. The humans are sexed male and female in over 99% of cases.
2. The female people exist as a sex class.
3. The female people exist as a sex class because they are subject to structural oppression on the basis of sex
4. That female ppl have been historically subjected to oppression on the basis of their sex because male people have positioned them as both a reproductive and sexual resource (i.e. because of their bodies), and secondarily, as a domestic and emotional resource.
5. That gender is the name for the totality of the system which maintains female people in a subordinate position as a sex-class.

This includes:

- The coding of personality traits as proper to a sex
- Sex roles in terms of appropriate behaviour and domestic and social roles
- Hierarchies of status applied to both of these
- Inculcated modes of entitlement and lack of entitlement, assertion and boundary-drawing, beliefs about whose needs are prioritised and who is supposed to provide care
- The use of male violence to enforce all the above

especially in the mode of aggrieved entitlement when male people do not get their expected needs met by females

- The gendering of a whole hierarchical edifice of binary cultural values (mind over body, reason over emotion, ideas over matter, eternity over change etc)
- The gendering of these, and also, their racialization, construction of the other, the foreign etc.
- The construction of subjecthood as a form of absolute sovereignty. The belief that you exist outside relation and social and material dependence. The belief that your identity

belongs to you, and is not a material and social process.

- The way in which your bodily comportment exemplifies the extent to which you have been raised to consider yourself a full human subject.

Only, finally, and superficially.

- Whether you have long hair, wear nail-varnish,

like pink, have a fondness for glitter.

6. Because female people are oppressed on the basis of sex, because sex is, therefore, the axis of our oppression, because sex is our protected characteristic in law, we object to the attempt by the trans rights movement to erase the

recognition of sex in law, the rights that have been afforded to us on that basis, and the protections we have been afforded by the law on that basis.

Because sex is the axis of our oppression we object to efforts by advocates of the ideology of gender identity to disallow us

from describing the world in terms which recognise the material axis of our oppression.

We object to being denied the right to think and speak and organise *using the analysis we have developed of our own oppression.*

We object to being told that because other people - male people - need female people to stop using the words to describe the axis of their own oppression, that we do as we are fucking told.

We object to being demonised because we refuse to comply with the demand that male people

need us to stop using the words that describe our own oppression.

We object to civic institutions and law making authorities and universities dictating that we have no legitimate political interest in the erasure of the political recognition of the axis of our oppression, and

no legitimate political interest in the demand that we stop using the words to describe the material reality of the axis of our oppression.

We will not accept or allow ourselves to be coerced into accepting the political erasure of sex, the political erasure of the recognition

of female people as a sex class, the rights and protections afforded to us by law on that basis, the removal of the words and the system of thought that describes and *explains* the material and historical reality of the axis of our oppression, or our right to organise

politically on that basis in order to advocate for our interests.

Asking, no, demanding, on pain of extreme sanction, that we do so, falls so beyond the purview of 'being nice,' is so far beyond what it is reasonable to ask of any group of persons, and which, in fact, you

would never *dream* of demanding of any group of persons *were they not female,* that it makes my head explode and my blood boil simultaneously.

7. Please explain, in a manner befitting of members of our profession, why female people should accept the political erasure of the

axis of their own oppression?

Please explain further why believing that female people exist, are oppressed on the basis of sex, and should be afforded protections in law on that basis should be, as you insist, anti-trans?

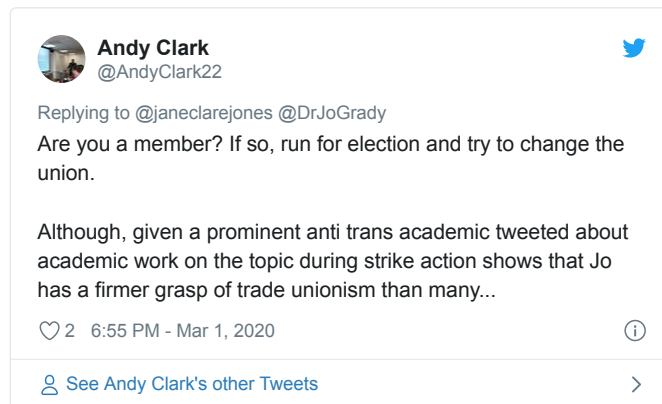
Please also further explain why therefore, being 'pro-trans' should mean being in favour of the political erasure of sex, and the rights and protections afforded to female people on that basis?

That is, to be clear, please explain why the ideology of the present form of the

trans rights movement is hostile to the political recognition of the axis of female people's oppression, to the rights/protections afforded to them on that basis, and why, therefore, female people should support this movement.

Without calling us names or telling us to be nice.

I should thank this one for the ragespiration.



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