

# WST 610

## Racialized Sexualities: Erotic Labor and the Production of Desire

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Tuesdays 5:30 - 8:20 p.m.

In this seminar, we will explore race and sexuality as mutually constitutive formations within erotic labor industries, including pornography, stripping, and camming. Starting from the position that race is inherently implicated in the erotic, we will study racial formations as they structure the lived experiences of erotic laborers. We will begin by examining sociological approaches to the study of race to consider how racialization comes to bear meaning in sexual desirability. We will then focus on how racialized and sexualized constructs condition erotic capital and become articulated through hegemonic beauty standards, embodiment, and desire.

