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GENDER-BASED CLASSES

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than females may receive. In this, because males have greater incomes, they will be able to make consumption decisions that will have a much greater impact on the global system than females ever will be able to, that is until the disparity is made much more level.

An additional re-coding of the world's individuals based upon a new variable: gender, provides a new look to see new disparities between groups of people. As the the author notes, there is a gender privilege for males as they comprise two-ofthree individuals in the consuming classes, while females comprise two-of-three of the individuals in the struggling class. Another simplification of this idea is that males receive higher incomes than women on a categorical scale. Policymakers have tried to tackle this problem of gender-based income disparity through a variety of means, but it has yet to prevail on an international scale for a variety of reasons. Simply, males tend to receive greater consideration on a societal level for the behaviors and traits that allow for achieving a greater income level, while females are encouraged to adopt behaviors and promote traits that would allow them to have less of a change at a high income level. Beyond the female-led ideal of taking care of child, the education that is often needed to achieve this level of success is often provided to males at a much higher rates



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