Men after feminism: what's left to say?


Abstract

In a paper first delivered at the University of Barcelona (2006), Segal focuses on the future of men after the feminist movement. Among the many topics Segal broaches is that masculinity(ies) studies should not be viewed as usurping women's studies in the academy.
rifts made visible by this election, or if she would so enrage many men that these gaps will only cleave wider. What is clear now is that this is the great unfinished business of the feminist project, a long-fermenting suspicion brought into bright light by this election: Expanding roles and opportunities for women cannot usher in full gender equality unless men change. Feminism concerns both men and women alike (Image via Everyday Feminism), Culture x October 13, 2017. Why Young Men Need Feminism. That day in class, my professor asked our majority-male classroom what they thought about feminism. Many of them spoke up and said they did not support it, and that while they did support equality for everyone, they felt feminists were “extreme,” “radical” and “man-hating.” I wasn’t new to these stereotypes (as an emerging feminist myself, I had heard and felt them all before), but I was surprised at where, and how much, I was hearing them—not among strangers or members of an older generation, but among my peers, which are college men who take the same classes and live in the same campus world. So, what would be helpful in this dialogue, or in this situation we find ourselves in today where there is a great divide among men and women, and among the people of our country who see things dramatically differently from each other? First, let’s understand what feminism is meant to be. If you look up the definition of “Feminism” in the dictionary, you’ll see these statements: Feminism is Feminism at its core is about equality of men and women, not “sameness.” So many people offer up the argument that women are not the “same” as men so there can’t be equality. In other words, because their bodies are different (many say “weaker” and smaller), and because men and women have different physical capabilities, these physical differences mean equality is not possible.