

# Gender in East Asian History

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## Chinese Women's Voices

中国女性的声音

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From earliest Daoist cosmology through the dynamic first decades of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, we will explore the development of women's roles over time by reading texts written primarily by women themselves. We will read histories, philosophies, memoirs, poetry, instructional texts, and as well as view documentary and popular films. We will examine divisions between generations, classes, ethnicities, regions, and religions and the challenges faced by those living outside the normative ideals of their time. Students will hear women speak their stories as a way to better understand the full scope of Chinese history.