

# Feminist Economics of Trade

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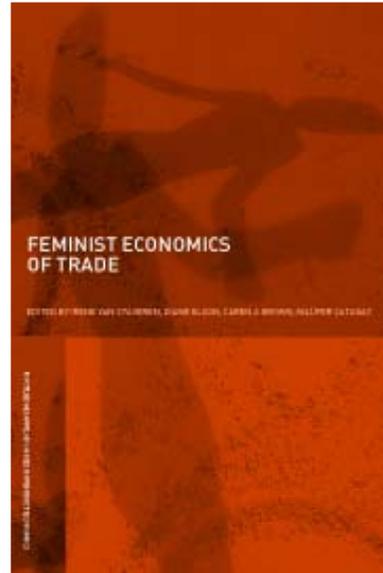
*Feminist Economics of Trade* is the first book to combine the tools of economic analysis and gender analysis to examine the interaction of international trade and gender relations. It is concerned with both the impact of trade on gender inequality and the impact of gender inequality on trade.

Gender inequality may both assist and hinder the development of international competitiveness and the distribution of gains from trade, within and across countries. At the same time, trade policies and flows have contradictory impacts on gender equality. The authors argue that trade expansion and reduction of gender inequality can be combined, but only if an appropriate mix and sequence of trade and other economic policies is implemented.

The book demonstrates what feminist economics contributes to the analysis of international trade, through theoretical modelling, econometric analysis, and policy-oriented contributions. It includes evidence from industrialised, semi-industrialised, and agrarian economies, using country case studies and cross-country analysis. The book brings together fourteen contributions from a variety of economic perspectives, including structuralist, institutionalist, neoclassical and Post-Keynesian. The book will benefit those studying International Economics, Development Studies, Gender Studies, and Politics, and International Relations, among other disciplines.

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