Fundamental Entitlements and Women’s Equality: The Capabilities Approach

What is the best theoretical approach to address questions of gender inequality in international discussions? The “capabilities approach,” which asks what people are actually able to do and be, provides a corrective to utility-based approaches and a complement to the human rights perspective. But capabilities can give us an attractive account of basic (constitutional) entitlements, well equipped to address women’s inequality, only if we venture a substantive account of the central human capabilities.

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