

Biopolitics, Technoscience, and Society

In technological societies, innovations and forms of expert knowledge constantly intervene in our daily lives, opening fields of problems and solutions that shape, sustain, and value life in its various forms, both human and non-human. It becomes particularly evident in the face of growing situations of crisis and uncertainty related to climate and pollution, care and health, or citizenship rights. For example, in developing disaster and emergency management systems, interventions in the fields of care, social action, and health, or creating infrastructures and spaces that are more customizable and inclusive, promoting resilience and citizen participation. Expert knowledge and technology, therefore, play a key role in shaping bodies, emotions, relationships, spaces, and territories based on axes such as gender, sexuality, race, age, citizenship, normality, security, health, productivity, and more. We also observe how forms of activism, dissent, and resistance emerging in these contexts question, redefine, and transform the role of technoscience, imagining and experimenting with alternative coordinates and forms of possible and desirable life. In essence, this research line brings together studies in the fields of Social Studies of Science and Technology, Feminist Studies, Anthropology of the Body and Health, and Queer/Crip and Disability Studies, all interested in the role that technoscience plays in shaping and governing contemporary life.