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## Comparison of Feminine Gender Norms among Spanish and American College Women

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### ABSTRACT

This article describes the psychometric characteristics of the Conformity to Feminine Norms Inventory (CFNI; Mahalik et al., 2005) in a group of Spanish college women (n = 383), and explores cross-cultural differences in feminine role norms. Factor analysis reveals a profile similar to the one obtained in the USA and, albeit differing in some aspects, in general it supports the authors' proposed structure. Reliability and correlations between sub-scales were adequate. Participants endorsed less traditional views toward 4 of the 8 feminine norms of the CFNI and reported significantly less conformity than comparable American students. Only the Domestic norm received greater endorsement by Spanish women in this group. The findings support the suitability of the CFNI for use in the Spanish group and establish an empirical base for future studies of Spanish femininity. Cross-country differences are discussed.

### KEYWORDS

Spanish Femininity, Gender Roles, Feminine Norms, Cultural Differences in Feminine Norms, Spanish Women

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