



Women Studies Fall 2005 Course Schedule

WOMEN 200 Introduction to Women Studies (5) I&S (M-F 10:30-11:20) Allison Mandaville

Feminist analysis of the construction and enforcement of gender differences and gender inequalities in various contexts. Emphasis on the intersection of race, class, sexuality, and nationality in the lives of women. Topics include feminist theory, motherhood, popular culture, sexual autonomy, racism, and activism in the United States, Asia, Latin America.

WOMEN 302 Research Methods in Women Studies (5) I& (TTH 11:30-1:20) Amanda Swarr

Explores appropriate research methodologies for interdisciplinary work in women studies. Examines current debates and issues in feminist methodologies and critiques of methodology. Use of historical documents and theoretical texts. Computer applications in research in women studies. Prerequisite: either WOMEN 200 or WOMEN 206.

WOMEN 310 Women and the Law (5) I&S (M-F 8:30-9:20) Pat Novotny

Examines how law addresses women, how the courts have made attempts to address women of color, poor women, lesbians, and women with disabilities. Topics include constitutional construction of equality, employment discrimination, reproductive rights, regulation of sexuality, families and motherhood, sexual harassment, violence against women and international women and human rights.

WOMEN 322 Race, Class, and Gender (5) I&S (TTH 12:30-2:20) Rebecca Aanerud

The intersection of race, class, and gender in the lives of women of color in the United States from historical and contemporary perspectives. Topics include racism, classism, sexism, activism, sexuality, and inter-racial dynamics between women of color groups. Offered: jointly with AES 322.

WOMEN 357 Psychobiology of Women (5) (TTH 9:30-11:20) Nancy Kenney

Physiological and psychological aspects of women's lives: determinants of biological sex; physiological and psychological events of puberty, menstruation, and menopause; sexuality; pregnancy, childbirth; the role of culture in determining the psychological response to the physiological events. Recommended: PSYCH/WOMEN 257. Offered: jointly with PSYCH 357.

WOMEN 383 Social History of American Women to 1890 (5) I&S (M-F 9:30-10:20)

Shirley Yee

A multi-racial, multicultural study of women in the United States from the 17th century to 1890 emphasizing women's unpaid work, participation in the paid labor force, charitable and reform activities, and 19th century social movements. Uses primary materials such as diaries, letters, speeches, and artifacts. Offered: jointly with HSTAA 373; W.

WOMEN 417 The Politics of Talent Development (5) I&S (TTH 3:30-5:20)

Kate Noble

Investigation of the psychological, cultural, socioeconomic, and political factors that enhance or inhibit the development of exceptional ability, focusing principally, but not exclusively, on women and girls. Pays special attention to issues of race, class, gender, geography, and an individual's orientation to the mainstream of her culture.

WOMEN 429 Scandinavian Women Writers in English Translation (5) VLPA

(M-TH 1:30-2:20) *Gavel-Adams*

Selected works by major Scandinavian women writers from mid-nineteenth-century bourgeois realism to the present with focus on feminist issues in literary criticism. Offered: jointly with SCAND 427.

WOMEN 440 Reading Native American Women's Lives (5) I&S (MW 11:30-1:20)

Luana Ross

Seminar based on social science writings, autobiographies, biographies, and fiction written by, with, or about indigenous women of the United States and Canada. Prerequisite: either WOMEN 342, WOMEN 423, AIS 201, AIS 330, or AIS 423. Offered: jointly with AIS 440.

WOMEN 447 Economics of Gender (5) I&S (TTH 1:30-3:20)

E.Rose

Microeconomic analysis of the sources of gender differences in earnings, labor force participation, occupational choice, education, and consumption. Economic theories of discrimination, human capital, fertility and intrahousehold resource allocation.

Economics of the family in developed and developing countries. Prerequisite: 2.0 ECON 300. Offered: jointly with ECON 447.

WOMEN 488 Women and/in Science (5) I&S (MW 1:30-3:20)

Angela Ginorio

Explores science as a method of inquiry and as a profession while also expanding knowledge about women through the use of biographies of women scientists, discipline-based and feminist critiques, and the psycho-social concept of socially defined identities. Recommended: one Women Studies course and one college-level science course.

WOMEN 490A Native Voices Seminar Documentary Research Methods in Native Communities (5) I&S (MW 1:30-3:20)

LuanaRoss/DanHart

This seminar will explore the theoretical methodological, and aesthetic issues when researching documentary film and video projects in Native American communities. Utilizes readings, screenings, discussions and a major research project to explore issues of documentary representation, ethics, and historiography. First part of a two quarter documentary production sequence. Offered jointly with AIS 501

WOMEN 490B “Real” Women: Sex, Gender, and Transgender Queries (5) I&S

(TH 2:30-5:20) *Amanda Swarr*

What does it mean to be a “real” woman? In this class we will attempt to answer this question by considering autobiographic, ethnographic, and theoretical writings by and about people who fall outside of common idealized conceptions of “women” and “men.” Definitions of sex and gender will be our starting point as we attempt to distinguish among and blur such contested categories, complicating them with considerations of sexual orientation, race, class, history, and location. This class challenges the idea that there are two simple ways of being-male and female, man and woman-and during the semester we will think together about what looking beyond this dualism means in contemporary and historical global contexts.

WOMEN 501 History of Feminism (5) (T 12:30-3:20) *Shirley Yee*

Study of feminism from the 18th through the 20th centuries in the national, international, and intranational world system, with a focus on imperialism, colonialism, nationalism, and modernity. Surveys the literature in a global context, supplemented by critical essays and historiographic reviews.

WOMEN 513 Seminar in Contemporary Women's Health Issues (5) *M. Killien*

Critical analysis of contemporary and historical literature relevant to health care for women across the life span. Synthesis of a holistic view of women's health to guide research and practice. Offered: jointly with NURS 513.

WOMEN 590A Feminist International Political Economy (5) (T 1:30-4:20) *Priti Ramamurthy*

The focus of this course is on understanding feminist engagements with international political economy from multiple perspectives. Theoretical discussions will include feminist analyses and critiques of capitalism as a global system, of international development, and of globalization. Recent feminist theories such as Third World Feminism, Transnational Feminism, and Critical Development Studies will be considered. Assignments will include reading empirical trends and ethnographies that adopt particular theoretical frames. The final essay will be on the circuits theories have traveled and how they are deployed by feminists in one national context or in understanding one international social issue.