



*Women Studies  
Summer 2007  
Course Schedule*

**WOMEN 200 Introduction to Women Studies (5) (TTH 3:30-5:40)**

*Amy Bhatt*

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. Offered: AWSpS.

**WOMEN 207 Introduction to Feminist Theories (5) (TTH 12:00-2:10)**

*Calla Chancellor*

Introduction to the multiplicity of feminist theories in both the United States and transnational contexts; examination of the histories of different theoretical positions and their relationship to feminist praxis. Topics include feminist analysis of knowledge production, power, and the categories of gender, race, class, sexualities, ethnicity, and nation.

**WOMEN 283 Introduction to Women's History (5) (A Term) (M-F 10:50-1:00)**

*Zakiya Adair*

Includes units on American, European, and Third World women that examine centers of women's activities, women's place in male-dominated spheres (politics), women's impact on culture (health, arts), and the effect of larger changes on women's lives (technology, colonization). Offered: jointly with HIST 283; A.

**WOMEN 310 Women and the Law (5) (A-Term) (M-F 9:40-11:50)**

*Patricia S. 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 313 Women in Politics (5) (MW 12:00-2:10)**

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Theoretical, historical, and empirical studies of women's participation in political and social movements. Women's diverse efforts to improve their political, social, and economic status. Policy issues of particular concern to women. Women's political experiences in household, local, regional, national, and international arenas Offered: jointly with POL S 313.

**WOMEN 322 Race, Class, and Gender (5) (B-Term) (M-F 12:00-2:10)**

*Mae Henderson*

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 12:00-2:10)**

*A. Voorhies*

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 427 Women and Violence (5) (A-Term) (M-F 1:10-3:20)**

*Angela Ginorio*

Multi-disciplinary explorations of the continuum of violence which affects women's lives, ranging from experience in personal settings (family violence) to cultural or state policies (prisons, wars). Violence against women explored in the context of societal, political, and state violence. Recommended: WOMEN 200.

**WOMEN 455 Contemporary Feminist Theory (5) (TTH 2:20-4:30)**

*Rebecca Aanerud*

Raises the question of how political contexts condition the way some ideas become theory. Emphasizes the present crises in thinking about a transnational feminism.

**WOMEN 489 Ethnicity, Gender, and Media (5) (M-TH 9:40-11:50)**

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Media portrayal of women and people of color; creation of alternative media systems by women and people of color in the United States. Offered: jointly with COM 489/AES 489.