QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY FALL 2025

DEPARTMENT OF GENDER STUDIES

Course Name Course Instructor GNDS 211/3.0 Feminist Histories See SOLUS **Contact Hours** Classes Tuesdays 11:30-12:50pm and Fridays 1:00-2:20pm **Course Description Required Course Materials** Feminism is in vital and evolving movement. In GNDS 211 we explore All readings are available through diverse forms feminism in their historical, geographical, and geopolitical the library's e-reserve. contexts. The thread connecting feminist work in these different forms is their common challenge to the operation of inequality, orthodoxy, and exclusion, primarily but never exclusively in their gendered forms. A central aim of the course is to explore the connections between feminist histories and feminist theories. We examine the political, economic, and cultural contexts that have shaped the development of feminist activism and thinking in different times and locations. Weekly course sessions will be a combination of lecture and film, class and small-group discussion on the weekly material. **Course Objectives Course Evaluation** By the end of the course, students should be able to: 30% Weekly writing identify key themes, objectives, and approaches in the different historical forms of feminism and in the formation of 20% Document Analysis gender studies identify key issues, concepts, and figures in the history of 25% Group Presentation on Readings feminist theory, activism, and organizing understand and assess the impact of historical and 25% Final Essay or Creative Project on geographical context in shaping feminist work a topic in Feminist Histories assess the productive interplay between analytical and narrative frameworks in studying gender and sexuality grasp the range and diversity of feminism as a rigorous, creative process of ongoing analysis and narration

Topics in Course Outline

- Different Ways of Seeing, Speaking, Writing feminist histories
- Whose Experience, Whose Feminist Histories?
- Feminist Writing, Writing Different Pasts
- Feminism Here and There, Present and Past
- From International to Transnational Feminism
- Re Imagining and Remaking Feminism