INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

WGST 101 VIRTUAL 3 credits FC-Power May 15-31, 2024 ONLY 2nd hour synchronous



Did you know...

- New Zealand was the first country to give women the right to vote in 1893?
- That U.S. women could not have credit cards in their own name until 1974?
- The history of trans people is as old and diverse as human history? See the Hijras of India and the Sworn Virgins of the Balkans.
- What is the equal pay day for the average Latina?
- Of the 775 million illiterate people worldwide, more than 2/3 are women
- The pandemic disproportionately impacted women's health and economic opportunities and differences manifested based on race, class and geography?

Our interdisciplinary course contextualizes these facts and links personal histories to structural forces, while introducing you to the field of Women's and Gender Studies. This class explores feminist perspectives on intersecting inequalities based on gender, race, class, and sexuality and more. Topics include: work and labor; sexuality; gender ideology; patriarchy; reproductive justice, resisting violence, economic jusitice, images of women and gender in literature; art; family; and the history of feminist struggles. Course readings are drawn from the humanities and the social sciences. FC-POWER (Image: "Three Women of America," by Elizabeth Catlett)

DAILY 11:30-2:45, ONLY SECOND HOUR IS VIRTUAL AND SYNCHRONOUS 12:30-1:30

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