Gender + Women's Studies Summer 2015 Courses

First Four-Week Session: May 26 - June 19

GWST 210: Intro to Critical Sexuality Studies

Hybrid! In person Mon + Wed 9am-12:10pm, and online!

Instructor: Dr. Kate Drabinski GEP: C, SS

First Six-Week Session: May 26 - July 2

GWST 310: Gender + Inequality in America

Instructor: Dr. Kate Drabinski

Hybrid! Mon 1pm - 4:10pm

GEP: AH, C

GWST 340: Women, Gender + Globalization

Instructor: Emek Ergun

Tues + Thurs 9am-12:10pm

GEP: SS, C

Twelve-Week Session: May 26 - August 14

GWST 323: Gender + Sitcoms

Online! Instructor: Dr. Susan McCully

Second Six-Week Session: July 6 - August 14

GWST 290: Issues and Phases in Women's Health

Instructor: Kerry Cleaver, MSW

Online!

GWST 338: Women, Gender + Law

Instructor: Jennifer Kent, JD

Mon + Wed 6:30pm-9:40pm

GEP: SS

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GWST 210: Intro to Critical Sexuality Studies Dr. Kate Drabinski

First Four-Week Session, Hybrid: Mon + Wed 9am-12:10pm + online

This course introduces students to the field of critical sexuality studies. Using an interdisciplinary approach, the course conducts a critical inquiry into the historical precedents and theoretical frameworks necessary to understand the role of sexuality in shaping personal, social, economic, and political life. The course focuses on patterns of subordination and exclusion based on individuals sexual practices and identities, explains the origins and persistence of those patterns, and considers ways of challenging them. Throughout the course, special attention will be given to intersections of sexuality with gender, race, ethnicity, religion, class, and disability.

GWST 310: Gender + Inequality in America Dr. Kate Drabinski

First Six-Week Session, Hybrid: In person Mon,1pm-4:10pm + online

An examination of the ways in which gender roles and gender relations are constructed and experienced in American society. The course explores the development of a woman's "sphere" denoting women's position in the family and home; cultural definitions of femininity and masculinity through mass media, education and other agencies of socialization; the relationship between wage-earning and household work; and feminist consciousness and politics. Special attention is paid to the ways in which gender-based experiences are divided by other social relations, particularly those of class, race and age.

GWST 340: Women, Gender + Globalization Emek Ergun

First Six-Week Session, Tues + Thurs 9am-12:10p

This course focuses on how gender works as a social, economic, and political force that influences globalization, development, labor and migration, international sexual and health politics, and transnational activism in various regions outside of the US. We start with representations and consider how "women" have been constructed a group cross-culturally and in the West. We then discuss the ways in which gender matters as a framework to understand global relationships and politics. Finally, we analyze global and transnational movements for change led by women around the world.

GWST 323: Gender + Sitcoms Dr. Susan McCully 12-Week Session, Online

The course studies the relationship between changing gender roles and the leading ladies of television situation comedy between the 1950s and the 1990's with particular emphasis on the sitcom form and the representation of domesticity. The course explores the second wave of US feminist history and shifting sitcom roles of wife, mother and working women during this period. Text studied will include: Mary Tyler Moore, The Honeymooners, Leave It to Beaver, Murphy Brown, I Love Lucy, Bewitched, Roseanne, The Burns and Allen Show and Father Knows Best. Feminist readings, analysis and discussion support the understanding of the media.

GWST 290: Issues and Phases in Women's Health

Kerry Cleaver, MSW Second Six-Week Session, Online

This course will provide an overview of issues in women's health as they occur in various phases of women's lives. Course material will focus on both the biological understandings and social meanings of puberty, menstruation, reproduction and menopause. We will also discuss specific health issues that women face. Throughout the course, we will address the specific health needs of women from different races, cultures, and ethnicities

GWST 338: Women, Gender + Law Jennifer Kent, JD Second Six-Week Session. Mon + Wed 6:30pm-9:40pm

This course examines ways in which gender affects rights with the American civil and criminal legal systems. It explores the interrelationship between traditional attitudes and stereotypes concerning women's roles in society and the historical development of women's legal rights. The course focuses on the consequences of sex differences in shaping the rights of persons under the U.S. Constitution statutory remedies to discrimination in employment and education, legal issues relating to reproduction and personal life, and the response of criminal law to issues affecting women, including domestic violence, rape and prostitution.