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SPRING 2010 COURSES

CGS COURSES APPLICABLE TO MAJOR AND MINOR

*** Subject to Change ***

Critical Gender Studies 101 – Gender, Modernity, and Globalization

Traci B. Voyles, Department of Ethnic Studies

#680240 TuTh 2:00 – 3:20pm YORK 4080A

In this course, we will critically interrogate how the modern world is constructed through the technologies of patriarchy, settler colonialism, racism, violence, and capitalist resource exploitation. We will focus on the ways in which the intersectionality of gender with race, sexuality, and class has worked to organize the modern colonial world and new (old?) patterns of globalization. Using transnational feminist theory, postcolonial theory, and indigenous studies, the course will destabilize the “post” of postcolonialism, question what is both new and old about globalization, and unmask the function of power as it traverses different kinds of borders (national borders as well as the borders of identity, spatial segregation, labor, etc.). Throughout, we will keep a keen eye on the role of gender in shaping modern social projects, and the very real material implications of gender for communities and individuals alike.

Critical Gender Studies 104 – Advanced Topics in Comparative Perspectives:

The Comparative State of Global Gender Equality

Nancy Gilson, Department of Political Science

#680241 TuTh 12:30 – 1:50pm YORK 4050B

In study after study published in the last twenty years, everyone from the World Bank, to the United Nations, and the joint Chiefs of Staff of the US military has recognized, as a statement from Doctors Without Borders put it: "Progress is achieved through women." The investment bank, Goldman Sachs issued a report in 2008 that said "Gender inequality hurts economic growth." This course will be a survey of the state of gender equality around the world. We will look at education, health, access to employment, violence against women, and the implications of the feminization of immigration and what states and international institutions are doing and not doing to create gender equality.

Critical Gender Studies 105 – Queer Theory

Sara Clarke Kaplan, Critical Gender Studies and Ethnic Studies

#680242 TuTh 9:30 – 10:50am PCYNH 120

Gay? Straight? Trans? Genderqueer? Homophile? Homophobia? Homonormative? What do these terms all mean, and where do they come from?

In this course, we will seek to answer this and other questions by exploring the theoretical frameworks, political debates, and socio-cultural practices that make up the field of queer studies. Applying an interdisciplinary approach to historical and contemporary readings, media screening, and class discussions, we will examine theories and histories of U.S and diasporic queer and trans identities, communities and cultures, paying special attention to how they intersect with social categories of race, class, and nationality. Together, we will challenge ourselves to complicate our understandings of seemingly ‘natural’ social categories such as sex/gender, man/woman or homosexual/heterosexual as we experience them in our own daily lives, and perceive them in the world around us.





DEPARTMENTAL COURSES APPLICABLE/PETITIONABLE TO CGS MAJOR AND MINOR

#Course is eligible for major/minor credit but must be petitioned.
Please see the CGS advisor for assistance with the petition.

Arts & Humanities

#HIUS 115 - History of Sexuality (1, 2, 5)
HIUS 131 - Cultural History from the Civil War
to the Present (1, 5)
LTCS 130 - Gender, Race/Ethnicity, Class and
Culture (1, 5)
#LTCS 172 - Feminism/Hindi Cinema (1)
#MUS 152/ETHN 128 - Hip-Hop: Politics of
Culture (1)

Social Sciences

#ETHN 128/MUS 152 - Hip-Hop: Politics of
Culture (1)
#PSYC 190 - Parenting (1)
SOC1 129 - The Family (1)
#SOC1 159 - Love, Sex, and Marriage (1, 2)

FRESHMAN SEMINARS

The following freshman seminars will explore topics of gender and sexuality.
For course descriptions, visit http://ugseminars.ucsd.edu/UGSEM_SeminarListing.asp?qtr=sp10&c=f.

CGS 87 A00 - Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies
ERC 87 A00 - God, Sex, Chocolate: An Inquiry into Desire, Sacrifice, and the Spiritual Path
ETHN 87 D00 - Race, Class, Gender among Asian America
HITO 87 E00 - Sex and Democracy
LTWL 87 D00 - Sex and Love in the Middle Ages
SOC1 87 B00 - Multiracial Identities, Relationships, and Issues in the Contemporary U.S.
SOC1 87 G00 - Normality, Sexuality, and Power

For additional information, please contact the Muir Interdisciplinary Studies Office in H&SS 2113 at (858) 534-3589
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