

Feminist Philosophy
Spring 2008
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Hours: 12:30pm-2:30pm T, TH, by appointment

Written Requirements: Four five page papers. Late papers will be penalized one letter grade for each class period after the due date.

Attendance: Students are required to attend all sessions of this class. More than three absences may result in the lowering of a student's grade by one letter.

Class Participation: Students are required to participate actively. This includes (1) turning in one question for each assigned reading, (2) coming to class prepared to discuss reading materials, (3) being willing to answer questions asked of the class by the professor, (4) asking one's own questions and being willing to respond to questions and statements made by other students. Failure of the class to participate will result in the institution of surprise quizzes and a very unhappy professor.

Reading Assignments

Week #1
Introduction
Frye, "Oppression," FPR

Week #2
Frye, "Sexism," R
Stoltenberg, "How Men Have A Sex," RTBM

Week #3
Fausto-Sterling, "Should There Be Only Two Sexes?" FPR
Bartkey, "On Psychological Oppression," FPR

Week #4
PAPER DUE TUESDAY
Frye, "Do You Have To Be a Lesbian To Be a Feminist?" R
Spelman, "Gender & Race: The Ampersand Problem in Feminist Thought," FPR

Week #5
Lugones and Spelman, "Have We Got A Theory For You!" R
hooks, "Talking Back," R
Lugones, "Playfulness, World-Traveling, and Loving Perception," FPR

Week #6
Frye, "On Being White," R
Frye, "White Woman Feminist" R

Davion, "Reflections on the Meaning of White,"

Week #7

Marin, "Her Rites of Passage," R

Stoltenberg, "Rapist Ethics," RTBM

Sommers, "Rape Research," R

Week #8

PAPER DUE TUESDAY

Stoltenberg, "Sexual Objectification and Male Supremacy," RTBM

Longino, "Pornography, Oppression, and Freedom," R

Week #9 Feminist Epistemologies

Alcoff, "How Is Epistemology Political?" FPR

Harding, "Strong Objectivity," FPR

Week #10

SPRING BREAK

Week #11 Feminist Ethics/Feminist Political Philosophies

Narayan, "The Project of Feminist Epistemology: Perspectives from a Nonwestern Feminist," FPR

Gilligan, "Moral Orientation and Moral Development," FPR

Ruddick, "Mothering," R

Week #12 Feminist Political Philosophies

PAPER DUE TUESDAY

Held, "Taking Care, Care as Practice and Value," 497

Card, "Against Marriage and Motherhood," R

Week #13 Feminist Ethics/Feminist Political Philosophies

Okin, "Vulnerability By Marriage," FPR

Kittay, "Act Dependency, Work, and Gender Equality," FP

Week #14 Ecological Feminisms

Young, "Difference and Social Policy," FPR

Warren, "The Power and Promise of Ecological Feminism," R

Swimme, "How to Heal a Frontal Lobotomy," R

Week #14 Transnational Feminisms

Davion, "How Feminist is Ecofeminism?" R

Mohanty, "Women Workers and Capitalist Scripts: FPR

Week #15

Davis, "The Prison Industrial Complex," FPR

Ong, "Experiments with Freedom: Milieus of the Human,"

Week#16 TBA. Paper due Thurs.

