

PHIL 3210
Feminist Philosophy
Spring 2009
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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.

All academic work must meet the standards in "*A Culture of Honesty*." All students are responsible to inform themselves about those standards before performing any academic work.

The course syllabus is a general plan for the course; deviations announced in the class by the instructor may be necessary.

Reading Assignments

Week #1
Introduction

Week #2
Frye, "Oppression," FPR
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-Travelling, 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./Wee #17 Pizza and catch up .