

Transnational Feminism

WST3415, Section 3415, Class # 18014

Tuesdays 10:40am-11:30am, Anderson 134 & Thursdays 10:40am - 12:35pm, Norman 1020

SPRING 2022 | CLASS SESSIONS FROM 1/6/22 - 4/19/22

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course places women and feminism in a transnational perspective, focusing on various theories and movements engendered by women in contemporary national contexts. Development, reproductive politics, women's health, etc. will be examined.

COURSE GOALS AND LEARNING OBJECTIVES

By the end of this course students will be expected to gain mastery of the following topics and issues:

1. Gain an understanding of gender as a central category of analysis that informs the way social structures and global structures are legitimized and normalized
2. Analyze historical and contemporary systems of privilege and oppression, with special attention to the ways gender intersects with race, class/caste, ethnicity, sexuality, religion, and nationality
3. Gain a self-critical awareness of the instability of identity categories and the situated, partial, and political nature of all fields of knowledge
4. Think critically about the intersections of national, regional, and global communities and how they impact gender sovereignty
5. Describe the relationship between past empires and present ones
6. Develop interdisciplinary frameworks for understanding popular tropes of "western" and "non-western"
7. Define and distinguish between transnational, international, multinational, global feminism

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Required Books, Technology, and Free Resources

- Readings available via UFLIB course reserves and/or as PDFs on Canvas

SCHEDULE OF READINGS

Breakdown of weekly readings is provided below. Please note that readings should be completed <u>prior</u> to class on the dates listed below.		
CLASS MEETING	WHAT WE WILL COVER IN CLASS	NOTES/ASSESSMENT DUE FOR GRADE
Week 1: Culture and Imperialism		
R 6 - January	Said	
Week 2: Origins of Nationalism		
T 11	Anderson 1 and 2	
R 13	Anderson 3	
Week 3: Theory & Real Life		
T 18	Public Intellectuals Project	
R 20	Public Intellectuals Project	Team info due 11:59pm
Week 4: Institutional Power		
T 25	Anderson 6	
R 27	Anderson 10	Discussion 1 due by 10am (before class starts)
Week 5: Assessment Week		
T 1 – February	PI Project / Review for exam	
R 3	Exam 1	
Week 6: Decolonization		
T 8	Black Skin White Mask Documentary	Abstracts due 11:59pm
R 10	Fanon, Chapter 1 (WOE)	
Week 7: Nationalism		
T 15	Fanon, Chapter 3 (WOE)	
R 17	Fanon, Algeria Unveiled	Discussion 2 due by 10am (before class starts)
Week 8: Making Bourgeois Women		
T 22	Walton	
R 24	Davin (p.9-22)	
Week 9: Women in the Colonies		
T 19	McClintock	

R 21	Stoler	Discussion 3 due by 10am (before class starts)
Week 10: Assessment Week		
T 1 – March	PI Project / Review for exam	
R 3	Exam 2	
Week 11: Spring Break		
T 8	No class	
R 10	No class	
Week 12: Regulating Morality		
T 15	Ballhatchet	
R 17	Walkowitz	Discussion 4 due by 10am (before class starts)
Week 13: Society Must be Defended		
T 22	Foucault	
R 24	Fraser	
Week 14: Law and Rights		
T 29	Spade	
R 31	Chauncey	Discussion 5 due by 10am (before class starts)
Week 15: Rethinking Capitalism		
T 5 - April	hooks & Gilroy	
R 7	Wright	Final Project due by 11:59pm
Week 16: Rewriting History		
T 12	Perez	
R 14	Mohanty	
Week 17: Assessment Week		
T 19	Exam 3	Congratulations to all graduates!!

Bibliography: Full bibliographic info available on [e-learning course website](#)

COMPONENTS OF GRADING

Grades will be assigned on the following scale:

A 94-100

A- 90-93

B+ 87-89

B 84-86

B- 80-83

C+ 77-79

C 74-76

C- 70-73

D+ 67-69

D 64-66

D- 60-63

E 00-59

More information on UF grading policy may be found at:

<http://gradcatalog.ufl.edu/content.php?catoid=10&navoid=2020#grades>

<https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx>

Grades will be calculated as follows:

25%: Team-Based Public Intellectual Project

30%: Discussion board participation/responses (5 posts total; 100 words minimum)

45%: Assessments (3 total; each worth 15%; closed book, no notes)

Exam Policy: Make up exams will be offered for medical reasons and for participation in university athletic events only. Make up exams for these reasons will be offered during the TA's office hours. If you are registered with the DRC, you may take your make up exams there. No other exceptions will be considered.

Public Intellectuals Project Description (Team-based): In this team-based feminist research project we will grapple with public debates around a broad range of economic, political, and social issues and show why feminism matters today more than ever. As with all course assessments, late assignments will be accepted for medical reasons and for participation in university athletic events. Students will be assigned a team grade and an individual grade.

UF COURSE POLICIES

- Attendance: Given the ongoing and fluid nature of the pandemic I will not make attendance in class lectures mandatory; nor will we be taking regular attendance. ***If you miss class on the day of an assignment or an exam, extensions on assignments and makeup exams will be allowed for medical reasons or participation in official university events/athletics only. There will be no exceptions to this rule.*** For additional information on the University attendance policy, please see: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/attendance-policies/>
- Students Requiring Accommodations: Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, <https://disability.ufl.edu>) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to me when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.
- Course Evaluation: Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at <https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/>. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via

<https://ufl.bluer.com/ufl/>. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at <https://gatorevals.ua.ufl.edu/public-results/>.

- University Honesty Policy: UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code (<https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.
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- Student Privacy: There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments: For more information, please see: <http://registrar.ufl.edu/catalog0910/policies/regulationferpa.html>