



Feminist Theory, Fall
2010

Women's and Gender
Studies, 2016-2017

Advising Week Presentation

Introducing...

(click on names to watch videos!)

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[Rachel Garbary, Bachelor of Arts programme - honours in Development Studies, subsidiary in WMGS](#)

[Nathaniel Pelley, Bachelor of Arts programme - joint major in Psychology and WMGS](#)

[Hilary Perry, Bachelor of Arts programme - honours in Political Science, subsidiary in WMGS](#)

[Kaitlin Pierce, Bachelor of Arts programme - honours in Political Science, subsidiary in WMGS](#)





Meet Lise Brin,
WMGS liaison
librarian autograph
signing party, 2013

Degree options

- Advanced Major
- Joint Advanced Major with a Faculty of Arts discipline
- Major
- Joint Major with a Faculty of Arts discipline
- Subsidiary
- Minor
- Pair

Core courses: WMGS 100

- Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (6 credits; required for all degree options; prerequisite for all core WMGS courses)
- What is Women's and Gender Studies?
- What is "interdisciplinary inquiry?"
- What is the relationship between "women's and gender studies" in the academy, and feminist, anti-racist, anti-capitalist, LGBTQ, decolonial and dis/ability organizing and theory?
- 5 units: Intersectionality; Violence; Bodies; Feminisms, Work, and Political Economy; The Local and the Global: Feminist Responses
- Special opportunities: ability to student diverse topics and types of texts (academic articles, novels, and film/video) part of the Social Justice Colloquium (for incoming first year students only)



Harsha Walia talk, 2013

Core courses: WMGS 205

- Gender, Sexuality and the Body (3 credits; prerequisite WMGS 100 or with permission of instructor; required for AM, JAM, M, JM, S)
- How are bodies understood by Western philosophy, science, and medicine?
- What are the sociocultural processes through which some bodies are sexualized, and others aren't?
- Why do we think some bodies/body modification practices are normal, and others are abnormal?
- Special opportunities: final paper on topic of your choice (female genital cosmetic surgery, tattooing, midwifery, tanning), group presentation



Core courses: WMGS 232



- Gender and Popular Culture (3 credits; prerequisite WMGS 100 or with permission of instructor; required for AM, JAM, M, JM, S)
- Range of topics within broad field of gender and popular culture as well as how to study and critique genres of popular culture.
- What is cultural studies?
- Why is it important to study popular culture?
- Study a range of pop culture media, including music, television, film, video games and graphic novels/memoirs through this methodological and theoretical lens.

Core courses: WMGS 303

- Feminist Theory (3 credits; prerequisite WMGS 100 or with permission of instructor; required for AM, JAM, M, JM, S)
- What is theory? How have feminists intervened in social and political theory?
- Why does (gender) oppression exist?
- 10 fields: essentialism/social construction; intersectionality; epistemologies; language; sexual division of labour; power; bodies; psychoanalysis; sexualities; colonialism/post-colonialism/decolonization
- Special opportunities: pair presentation, supportive environment to develop discussion skills in a small group (cap is 15 students), "Doing Feminist Theory Through Digital Video" assignment.
(<http://www.doingfeministtheory.ca>)



WMGS year-end party (button making room), 2012

Core courses: WMGS 346

- Critical Race and Sexuality (prerequisite WMGS 100 or with permission of instructor)
- What is critical race theory and critical sexuality studies?
- Why are multiculturalism and tolerance important values to Canadian identity? Do these include or exclude?
- How is nationalism used to support and ignore groups of people?
- Special opportunities: pair presentation, final paper on a topic of your choosing (same-sex marriage; immigration policies and racism; residential schooling and education), field trip to Antigonish Heritage Museum to discuss legacies of colonialism and immigration




WMGS majors, Convocation 2013

Core courses: WMGS 400

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Look out for our Schedule of Events

El Jones Keynote
Masculinities Brown Bag
Women Speak Out On The Environment Panel
"It Was Rape" Film Screening And Discussion
Honouring Our Mother Elders Breakfast
Youth Activism Conference
Singalong
Feminist Cabaret
Coffee On Women's Day
International Potluck



from March 2 to March 8
share and celebrate

Women's Voices: The Power of Speaking Out International Women's Week 2015

Antigonish Women's Resource Centre & Sexual Assault Services Association
Naomi Society
Building a Breastfeeding Environment
Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority - Public Health
Pictou Antigonish Regional Library
Antigonish International Potluck Group
Youth Activism Conference
StFX - Women's and Gender Studies, Human Rights & Equity Office,
International Student Advising Office, Development Studies, Coady International Institute

- Advanced Field Seminar (6 credits; prerequisite WMGS 100 or with permission of instructor; required for AM, JAM)
- Focuses on understanding inequality from an academic perspective, through understanding grass-roots activism and movements for social change
- Combines feminist theories with feminist activist work

Cross-listed courses:

WMGS 217/SOCI 217	Race, Class, Gender and Sex
WMGS 221/SOCI 221	Sociology of Marriage and the Family Life
WMGS 305/PSCI 305	Sex, Power and Political Thought
WMGS 310/SOCI 310	Gender
WMGS 317/HIST 317	Canadian Women's and Gender History: From Colony to Nation
WMGS 318/HIST 318	Canadian Women's and Gender History: Modernity
WMGS 324/ANTH 324	Anthropology of Gender
WMGS 325/RELS 325	Early Christian Women
WMGS 329/ENGL 329	Studies in Women Writers: Feminisms and Their Literatures
WMGS 330/ENGL 330	Studies in Women Writers: Genres, Cultures, and Contexts
WMGS 332/HKIN 332	Gender in Sport and Physical Activity
WMGS 343/PSYC 364	Psychology of Gender
WMGS 344/PSYC 365	Developmental Social Psychology of Gender
WMGS 345/PSCI 345	Women and Politics
WMGS 360/HIST 360	Gender & Sexuality in Modern European Empires
WMGS 364/NURS 364	Social Justice and Health
WMGS 365/NURS 365	Gender and Health
WMGS 367/BSAD 367	Current Challenges: Women in Management
WMGS 378/PSYC 378	Human Sexuality
WMGS 397/RELS 315	Power & Gender in Hinduism and Buddhism
WMGS 398/HIST 398	Themes in the History of Sexuality
WMGS 411/RELS 401	Religious Approaches to Sexuality
WMGS 412/RELS 402	Religious Approaches to Sexual Diversity
WMGS 424/SOCI 424	Women and Work



Feminist Theory class, 2010

Connections to StFX + Antigonish Community

- Women's and Gender Studies Student Society
- Take Back the Night
- Sisters in Spirit
- International Women's Week
- Pride Week
- Antigonish Women's Resource Centre
- Bringing in the Bystander
- Positive Space



Future opportunities

- Social work
- Law
- Education
- Library Sciences
- Non-profit/social justice organization (eg women's centre)
- Graduate school
- Midwifery
- Government (eg policy analyst)
- Public health
- Anything!



WMGS reception, Convocation 2013

Questions?

- If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact us!

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- Thank you WMGS students!
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Feminist Road Trip to UPEI undergrad gender and sexuality studies conference, 2012