

PHIL 789/WGS 730 Feminist Philosophies

Spring 2019

Course Description: *Feminisms of Color: Context, History, Politics*

In this course we will conduct an introduction to and a survey of feminisms of color, paying special attention to the issues of context, history, and politics and how feminist ideas circulate around the globe. Some philosophical guiding threads that we will consider are: Black feminisms, intersectionality and its global reach, coloniality of gender, “third world” feminisms, culture and cultural practices in U.S. and non-U.S. contexts, racialization of trans identities, and decolonial feminisms.

Required Texts:

The books below are *not* at the University Bookstore, and you are welcome to obtain them in any way that works for you. Please consider purchasing them from Atlanta’s Independent Feminist Bookstore *Charis Books and More* (their website accepts online orders too, and if the book is not in stock, it usually arrives in 3-5 business days; see www.charisbooksandmore.com). If you have any financial difficulties in obtaining these books, please email me and I will have the relevant selections of the books scanned or lend you spare copies. Additional essays will be made available on Canvas.

- Alexander, Jacqui. *Pedagogies of Crossing: Meditations on Feminism, Sexual Politics, Memory, and the Sacred*.
- Anzaldúa, Gloria. *Borderlands/La Frontera: The New Mestiza*
- Davis, Angela. *Women, Race, and Class*
- hooks, bell. *Feminist Theory: From Margin to Center*
- Gumbs, Alexis Pauline. *Spill: Scenes of Black Feminist Fugitivity*
- *Intersectionality*. By Patricia Hill Collins and Sirma Bilge
- Khader, Serene. *Decolonizing Universalism: A Transnational Feminist Ethic*
- Lorde, Audre. *Sister, Outsider: Essays and Speeches*
- Lugones, María, *Pilgrimages/Peregrinajes: Theorizing Coalition against Multiple Oppressions*
- Mahmood, Saba. *Politics of Piety: The Islamic Revival and the Feminist Subject*
- Mohanty, Chandra Talpade. *Feminism without Borders: Decolonizing Theory, Practicing Solidarity*
- Narayan, Uma. *Dislocating Cultures: Identities, Traditions, and Third World Feminism*
- Oyèwùmí, Oyèrónké, *The Invention of Women: Making an African Sense of Western Gender Discourses*
- Snorton, Riley. *Black on Both Sides: A Racial History of Trans Identity*
- Taylor, Keeanga-Yamahtta. Ed. *How We Get Free: Black Feminism and the Combahee River Collective*