



FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 337 Lec 01 – “Philosophy, Feminism and Gender”

Fall Term 2011

Course Outline

Lectures: MW 4-5:15 pm PF 114

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Course Description In this course we will examine a set of issues in feminist philosophy including gender difference, feminine norms of appearance, sexed language, work and family issues, sexual harassment, pornography, abortion, feminist ethics and feminist epistemology and science.

Required Texts

Georgia Warnke, *Debating Sex and Gender*, Oxford University Press, 2010

Jennifer Saul, *Feminism: Issues and Arguments*, Oxford University Press, 2003

Supplementary Journal Articles, most of which are linked on BB.

Evaluation

Response writing (8) 20%

Due Mondays in class beginning September 20th. In weeks where there is no class on Monday, the response writing is due in class on the Wednesday. Students who are unable to attend a class may hand in the response prior to 4 pm in the 337 drop box in the Philosophy department. The final response is due on December 12th and is to be submitted in the 337 drop box in the philosophy department prior to 4 pm.

Weekly response writings are critical responses to the readings and class discussions for the previous week. They are an opportunity for you to reflect further on the readings and discussion. These are pass/fail only. For each satisfactory response completed (up to a maximum of 8) you will receive 2.5 points for a possible total of 20 points out of the 100 points available for the class. If a response is unsatisfactory, you may rewrite it. Rewrites are due the class following the return of the responses in class.

2. Portfolio 20%

A portfolio is a collection of images, news articles, blog articles videos or anything you want relating to gender. The portfolio is to be handed in for evaluation twice in the semester. Due in class Wednesday October 26th and Wednesday November 30th.

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| 3. Gender Analysis | 20% | Due Wednesday October 12 th in class. Students who are unable to hand the assignment in during class may submit it to the 337 drop box in the philosophy department prior to 4 pm. |
| 4. Term Paper | 40% | Due Monday December 12 th in the 337 drop box in the philosophy department prior to 4 pm. |

There will be no Registrar scheduled final exam

Grading Method

Provide information on grading methods and/or scales used.

99-100 = A+	85-88 = B+	70-74 = C+	55-59 = D+
94-98 = A	80-84 = B	65-69 = C	50-54 = D
89-93 = A-	75-79 = B-	60-64 = C-	< 50 = F

Policy on Late Assignments

Response writings will not be accepted late. Students who are unable to attend a class may contact me about other submissions methods, but each response must be received on the Monday after the week to which it is a response. Note that students are only required to respond to 8 of the 13 weeks so if you can't do one on time in one week, you hand it in for the next week instead.

Students are expected hand all other assignments in by the due date except when there is a compelling reason for being late and the student has made arrangements in advance. Where no alternative arrangements have been made late assignments will be penalized at the rate of 5% per day.

INTELLECTUAL HONESTY

Intellectual honesty is the cornerstone of the development and acquisition of knowledge and requires that the contribution of others be acknowledged. As a result, cheating or plagiarism on any assignment or examination is regarded as **an extremely serious academic offence**, the penalty for which may be an F on the assignment and possibly also an F in the course, academic probation, or requirement to withdraw. The University Calendar states that plagiarism exists when:

- *the work submitted or presented was done, in whole or in part, by an individual other than the one submitting or presenting the work (this includes having another impersonate the student or otherwise substituting the work of another for one's own in an examination or test;*
- *parts of the work are taken from another source without reference to the original author;*
- *the whole work (e.g., an essay) is copied from another source; and/or*
- *a student submits or presents work in one course which has also been submitted in another course (although it may be completely original with that student) without the knowledge of or prior agreement of the instructor involved.*

While it is recognized that scholarly work often involves reference to the ideas, data and conclusions of other scholars, intellectual honesty requires that such references be explicitly and clearly noted. Plagiarism occurs not only when direct quotations are taken from a source without specific acknowledgement, but also when original ideas or data from the source are not acknowledged. A bibliography is insufficient to establish which portions of the student's work are taken from external sources; footnotes or other recognized forms of citation must be used for this purpose.

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodation. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY (FOIP) ACT

The University of Calgary is under the jurisdiction of the provincial FOIP Act in all aspects of its operations as a publicly funded institution. The Department of Philosophy ensures the student's right to privacy by requiring all graded assignments be returned to the student directly from the instructor unless other arrangements have been made in writing and filed with the Department Administrator.

FACULTY OF ARTS PROGRAM ADVISING & STUDENT INFORMATION RESOURCES

- Have a question, but not sure where to start? The new Faculty of Arts Program Information Centre (PIC) is your information resource for everything in Arts. Drop in at SS110, phone 403-220-3580 or email at artsads@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
- For program planning and advice, contact the Student Success Centre at 403-220-5881 or visit them in their new space on the 3rd Floor of the Taylor Family Digital Library.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Library Block.
- Email Contact Addresses for Students Union Representatives for the Faculty of Arts:
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