GSWS 327-4: ABORIGINAL WOMEN IN CANADA

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Course Description:
GSWS 327 explores a broad range of themes and issues relating to the historical and contemporary experiences of Aboriginal women in Canada. Such topics include: 1) Indigenous theories of gender; 2) the evolution and political function of stereotypes of Indigenous women in Canada; 3) the history of Canadian legislation that regulates Indigenous identity; 4) the relevance of feminist analysis; 5) the history of activism.

Educational Goals:
I Display disciplinary knowledge of core concepts of gender and sexuality.
For more detailed information please see the GSWS website: http://www.sfu.ca/gsws/courses/Educational_Goals.html

Course Texts and Courseware:
• Additional readings by a variety of authors including Pauline Johnson, Sylvia Van Kirk, Brenda Macdougall, Sherene Razack, Alannah Young and Denise Nadeau, and Deborah McGregor will be available on Canvas.

Course Evaluation and Assignments:
• 20% for book review
• 5% event participation
• 25% midterm Exam
• 15% research proposal and annotated bibliography (at least 10 articles including at least 5 assigned course readings)
• 25% end of term essay (8-10 pages)
• 10% contributions to class including discussion questions and presentations

Prerequisite: 45 units. Students who have taken FNST 322 under this topic may not take this course for further credit. FNST 327 and GSWS 327 (or WS 327) are identical and students may not take both courses for credit.

Notes: Deferred grades will be given ONLY on the basis of authenticated medical disability.