WOMEN'S STUDIES 100-3

INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN'S STUDIES

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Course Outline:
The course will address the following questions:

1. What is the current situation, especially with regard to women's work?
2. How can we understand women's position now and in the past?
3. How has the women's movement changed things?
4. What might the future be like?

To answer these questions, we will investigate the contemporary scene, how it developed, and the possibilities for a more equitable society in the future. We will use economic, sociological, psychological, biological, historical, philosophical, and literary methods in our investigation. The main focus will be on Canadian women, but we will also look at the lives of women in other cultures.

Required Readings:
M. Atwood, The Edible Woman
Corrective Collective, Never Done

A package of readings will be available from the instructor at cost.

Assignments:
Students will be required to write two take-home exams (one midterm and one final exam) of about 1,000 words each and one term paper of 6 to 10 pages. In addition, each student will be asked to make a short oral presentation in tutorial. The exams will each count as 25% of the final mark, the term paper as 35% and tutorial participation at 15%.