WOMEN'S STUDIES DEPARTMENT

FALL 1992

CATHY NESMITH

Lec.: Mon. 10:30-12:20  
Lec.: Wed. 9:30-10:20  
Tut.: Mon. 12:30-13:30  
Tut.: Mon. 12:30-13:30  
Tut.: Mon. 13:30-14:20  
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PERSPECTIVES ON WOMEN: AN INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN'S STUDIES

This course focuses primarily on the lives of modern Canadian women, the choices they have, and what they are doing to expand their options. We consider recent scholarship on controversies such as:

1. Sexism in everyday life, or who talks most and what does that tell us about power relationships?
2. Nature or nurture, or the role of biology and socialization in gender differences.
3. Reproduction and the state.
4. Why do women receive lower wages?
5. Does equality include housework?
6. Whither feminism?

REQUIRED READING

Atwood, Margaret. The Handmaid's Tale.  
Salamon, E.D. and B.W. Robinson. Gender Roles: Doing What Comes Naturally?  

ASSIGNMENTS

There will be two hours of lecture, one hour each of video/film and tutorial per week.

20% Tutorial participation and presentation  
30% Short essay (8-10 pages)  
20% Mid-term examination  
30% Final examination - in examination period

THIS COURSE MAY BE APPLIED TO THE CERTIFICATE IN LIBERAL ARTS

TUTORIALS WILL BE HELD DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES