WS 201-3  Colonizing Women: Canadian Women in Historical Perspective 1600-1870’s

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This course will explore women’s experiences in Canada from the 17th century to the 19th century. Together, we will examine the ways in which sexuality, religion, race, ethnicity, and class have shaped women’s lives and identities. We will take a close look at the experiences of aboriginal women and immigrant women under conditions of colonialism and within the political structures of New France and British North America.

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- think critically about how class, race, ethnicity, and region have shaped Canadian women’s history;
- explain the methodologies and vocabulary of Canadian women’s history;
- analyze primary historical documents;
- understand how historians analyze gender as a cultural system

Texts:
Recommended:

Required:
- Custom courseware package, available at the bookstore

Grading:
Mid-term test 15%
Final exam 25%
Tutorial participation and responses 20%
Book presentation 5%
Essay proposal and annotated bibliography 10%
Final Essay 25%

Prerequisite: WS 101 or 102 (may be taken concurrently)