This course will explore methodological problems and possibilities in approaching the study of women. Students will explore, “What is feminist research?” Among the topics discussed will be the quantitative/qualitative debate, ethical concerns, an examination of race, class and gender, choosing the methods and gathering data, interviews, ethnography, oral history, case study, participant observation, surveys, cross-cultural and archival research. Students will also participate in small research projects during the semester and examine the act of interpretation, writing and presenting.

Prerequisites
WS 101 or WS 102 (may be taken concurrently)

Required Texts

Course Evaluation
The final grade will be determined as follows:

- Participation - 15%
- Participant, observation, presentation and paper (3 pages) - 20%
- Midterm exam - 30%
- Research paper (12 pages) - 35%