This course will examine women’s political activism in British Columbia. We will explore how feminism has broadened the definition of politics. The course will be organized thematically around the following: colonization, immigration, electoral politics, grass-roots organizing, poverty, work, violence against women, and environmentalism. Lectures will cover both the history and current debates of these themes. Students will be expected to consider how race, class, sexuality and gender intersect, and to discuss how women have been differently located in past and present debates.

Required texts:

And articles on reserve in the library.

Books for Review:


Plus one other book.

Course Evaluation:
Class Participation 10%
Book Review 15%
Research Proposal (2-3 pages & Bibliography) 10%
Mid-Term Examination 20%
Research Paper (15 pages) 25%
Final Examination (take home) 20%

WOMEN’S STUDIES MAJOR
This course meets the Social Science requirement for the Women’s Studies Major.

Prerequisites:
6 credits in Women’s Studies including WS 101 and/or WS 102

The Department of Women’s Studies encourages clarity of thought and expression and good writing. Students will be evaluated on these skills in all courses given by the department.