



DEPARTMENT OF
**GENDER, SEXUALITY,
AND WOMEN'S STUDIES**

Doctoral Comprehensives

Reading List

Doctoral Program

DOCTORAL COMPREHENSIVES READING LISTS

This package contains:

1. Feminist Theory Basic List (required of all Ph.D. candidates)

2. Area Studies Lists

- Body/Sexuality
- Cultural Studies
- Literary Theory (Feminist)
- Political Economy (excluding Development and Third World Studies)
- Politics and the State (excluding Development and Third World Studies)
- Postcolonial Feminist Theory
- Race, Ethnicity and Marginality
- Science and Technology (Feminist)
- Women and Development

Feminist Theory Basic

1. De Beauvoir, Simone. The Second Sex
2. Butler, Judith – choice of book
3. Chodorow, Nancy, The Reproduction of Mothering
4. Collins, Patricia Hill. Black Feminist Thought
5. Engels, Frederick. The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State
6. Firestone, Shulamith, The Dialectic of Sex
7. Friedan, Betty. The Feminine Mystique
8. Gilligan, Carol. In a Different Voice: Psychological Theory and Women's Development
9. Hooks, bell. – choice of book
10. Irigaray, Luce – choice of book
11. Lorde, Audre. Sister Outsider
12. Mill, John Stuart – The Subjection of Women
13. Millett, Kate. Sexual Politics
14. Mitchell, Juliet, Psychoanalysis and Feminism
15. Mohanty, Chandra, Under Western Eyes
16. O'Brien, Mary. The Politics of Reproduction
17. Rich, Adrienne – choice of book
18. Trinh, T. Minh Ha, Woman, Native, Other: Writing, Postcoloniality and Feminism
19. Wollstonecraft, Mary. A Vindication of the Rights of Woman
20. Young, Iris Marion. Justice and the Politics of Difference

Body/Sexuality

1. Bartky, Sandra, Femininity and Domination: Studies in the Phenomenology of Oppression. 1990. NY: Routledge
2. Bordo, Susan, Unbearable Weight: Feminism, Western Culture and the Body. 1993. Berkely: University of Chicago Press.
3. Fausto-Sterling, Anne, Sexing the Body: Gender Politics and the Construction of Sexuality. 2000 NY: Basic Books)
4. Garber, Marjorie, Visa Versa: Bisexuality and the Eroticism of Everyday Life. 1995. NY: Simon and Shuster
5. Grosz, Elizabeth, Volatile Bodies: Toward a Corporeal Feminism. 1994. Bloomington: Illinois University Press
6. Hemmings, Claire, Bisexual Space: A Geography of Sexuality and Gender. 2002. Routledge.
7. Martin, Emily, The Woman in the body: A Cultural Analysis of Reproduction. 1992. Boston: Beacon Press.
8. Sawicki, Jana, Disciplining Foucault: Feminism, Power and the Body. 1991. NY: Routledge.
9. Shildrick, Margrit, Leaky Bodies and Boundaries: Feminism, Postmodernism and (Bio)ethics. 1997. London: Routledge.
10. Wittig, Monique, The Lesbian Body. 1975. NY: Avon Books.

Cultural Studies

This list represents the central trajectories of the Birmingham Centre of Cultural Studies. Throughout its development in North America, "Cultural Studies" was closely aligned with forms of post-Marxism feminism, post-colonial feminism, feminist media studies, and feminist literary criticism. In recognition of the intermingling of these areas, which are represented in other departmental lists, this list focuses narrowly on the issues that are more closely or uniquely associated with the BCCC, including encoding/decoding theory, moral panic theory, and youth studies.

This list is recommended for students who are interested in girl culture, media studies, and forms of audience studies (as developed from the Screen debates).

1. Sara Ahmed -- The Cultural Politics of Emotion
2. Sarah Franklin, Jackie Stacey, and Celia Lury, Off-Centre: Feminism and Cultural Studies
3. Paul Guilery, Ain't No Black in the Union Jack
4. Critical Dialogs in Cultural Studies
5. Dick Hebdige, On Style
6. Angela McRobbie, Feminism and Youth Culture & Postmodernism and Popular Culture
7. Uma Narayan -- Dislocating Cultures
8. Elspeth Probyn -- Outside Belongings
9. Beverley Skeggs, Formations of Gender and Class

Essays:

1. Ian Ang, "Reading Dallas"
2. Pierre Bourdieu, "The Social Space and the Genesis of Groups," Theory and Society Vol 14, # 6, 1985 p 723
3. Carol Clover, "Her Body/Himself"
4. Donna Haraway, Cyborg essay, in Simians, Cyborgs and Women
5. Steven Heath (three essays on film analysis from Screen)
6. Fredric Jameson, "On 'Cultural Studies'," Social Text Vol 34 1993 p 17-54
7. Jean Lave, Paul Duguid, Nadine Fernandez, and Erik Axel, "Coming of Age in Birmingham: Cultural Studies and Conceptions of Subjectivity," Annual Review of Anthropology Vol 21 1992, p 257-282
8. Angela McRobbie, "Rethinking 'moral panic' for multi-mediated social worlds" British Journal of Sociology, Dec 1995 Vol 46, Issue 4 p 559
9. Paula Treichler, "An Epidemic of Significations" in The Burdens of History
10. Gayle Rubin "Thinking Sex" in The Lesbian and Gay Studies Reader

Literary Theory (Feminist)

1. Sedgwick, Eve, Between Men: English Literature and Male Homosocial Desire. 1985
2. de Laetis, Teresa, Technologies of Gender: Essays on Theory, Film and Fiction. 1987
3. Spivak, Gayatri, In Other Worlds: Essays in Cultural Criticism. 1989
4. Chow, Rey, Woman & Chinese Modernity: The Politics of Reading Between West & East. 1990
5. Dubois, Rene, Sowing the Body: Psychoanalysis and Ancient Representation of Women. 1991
6. Woodhull, Winifred, Transfigurations of the Maghreb: Feminism, Decolonization & Literatures. 1993
7. Gilmore, Leigh, Autobiographies: A Feminist Theory of Women's Self-Representation. 1994
8. Lydon, Mary, Skirting the Issue: Essays in Literary Theory. 1995
9. Caplan, Carla, The Erotics of Talk: Women's Writing and Feminist Paradigm. 1996
10. Halberstam, Judith, Female Masculinity. 1998
11. Prosser, Jay, Second Skins: The Body Narratives of Transsexuality. 1998.

Political Economy (excluding Development and Third World Studies)

1. Amsden, Alice (ed.), The Economics of Women and Work. Penguin. 1980
2. Bakker, Isabella (ed), Rethinking Restructuring: Gender and the Change in Canada. University of Toronto. 1996
3. Barker, Drucilla K. and Edith Kuiper (eds), Toward a Feminist Philosophy of Economics. Routledge, 2003
4. Bashevkin, Silvia (ed.), Women's Work is Never Done: Comparative Studies in Caregiving, Employment, and Social Policy Reform. Routledge. 2002

5. Benston, Margaret. "The Political Economy of Women's Liberation," in Voices from Women's Liberation, ed. Leslie Tanner. New American Library. 1971
6. Cockburn, Cynthia, Brothers: Male Dominance and Technical Change. Pluto. 1985
7. Ferber, Marianne and Julie Nelson, Beyond Economic Man: Feminist Theory and Economics. University of Chicago Press. 1993
8. Folbre, Nancy, Who Pays for the Kids? Gender and the Structure of Constraint. Routledge. 1994
9. Gilman, Charlotte Perkins, Women and Economics.
10. Hartman, Heidi, "The Unhappy Marriage of Marxism and Feminism: Toward a More Progressive Union," in Women and Revolution, ed. Lydia Sargent. Black Rose Books. 1981
11. Humphries, Jane, (ed.), Gender and Economics. Edward Elgar. 1995
12. Sanday, Peggy Reeves, Female Power: Male Dominance.
13. Standing, Guy, "Global Feminization through Flexible Labour," World Development 17. 1989

Politics and the State (excluding Development and Third World Studies)

1. Arcsott, Jane and Linda Trimble. In the Presence of Women: Representation in Canadian Governments. 1997. Harcourt Brace.
2. Bashevkin, Sylvia, Women on the Defensive: Living Through Conservative Times. 1998. University of Chicago Press
3. Brodie, Janine, Women and Canadian Public Policy. 1996. Harcourt Brace.
4. Chappell, Louise A., Gendering Government: Feminist Engagement with the State in Australia and Canada. 2002. UBC Press.
5. Evans, Patricia M. and Gerda R. Wekerle, (eds.) Women and the Canadian Welfare State. 1996. University of Toronto Press.
6. Jenson, Jane, "Gender in Reproduction or Babies and the State," Studies in Political Economy. 20. 1986
7. O'Connor, Julia S. States, Markets, Families. 1999. Cambridge University Press.
8. Pateman, Carol, The Disorder of Women: Democracy, Feminism and Political Theory. 1989. Stanford University Press.
9. Peterson, Spike, Gendered States. 1992. Lynn Reinner Publishers.
10. Phillips, Ann, Engendering Democracy. 1991, Polity. Or Democracy and Difference. 1993, Pennsylvania University Press.
11. Rowbotham, Sheila. Women, Resistance and Revolution. 1974. Vintage
12. Sainsbury, Diane. (ed.) Gender and Welfare State Regimes. 1999. Oxford University Press.
13. Tickner, J.A., Gender in International Relations: Feminist Perspectives on Achieving Global Security. 1992. Columbia University Press.
14. Young, Iris Marian, Justice and the Politics of Difference. 1990. Princeton University Press.

Postcolonial Feminist Theory

1. Ahmed, Sara. *Strange Encounters: Embodied Others in Postcoloniality*.
2. Bannerji, Himani. *Dark Side of the Nation: Essays on Multiculturalism, Nationalism, and Gender*.
3. Grewal, Inderpal and Caren Kaplan. *Scattered Hegemonies: Postmodernity and Transnational Feminist Practices*.
4. Lewis, Reina and Sara Mills, eds. *Feminist Postcolonial Theory: A Reader*.
5. McClintock, Anne. *Imperial Leather: Race, Gender and Sexuality in the Colonial Context*.
6. Mohanty, Chandra Talpade. *Feminism Without Borders: Decolonizing Theory, Practicing Solidarity*.
7. Narayan, Uma and Sandra Harding, eds. *Decentering the Centre: Philosophy for a Multicultural, Postcolonial and Feminist World*.
8. Spivak, Gayatri. *In Other Worlds: Essays In Cultural Politics*.
9. Spivak, Gayatri. *The Postcolonial Critic: Interviews, Strategies, Dialogue*.

Race, Ethnicity and Marginality

1. Bannerji, Himani. 2000. *The Dark Side of the Nation: Essays on Multiculturalism, Nationalism and Gender*. Toronto: Canadian Scholars' Press.
2. Calliste, Agnes & Dei, George J. Sefa. 2000. *Anti-Racist Feminism: Critical Race and Gender Studies*. Halifax: Fernwood Publishing.
3. Davis, Angela Y. *Women, Race and Class*. 1983. New York: Vintage Books.
4. Dei, George J. Sefa. 1996. *Anti-Racism Education: Theory and Practice*. Halifax: Fernwood Publishing.
5. Dua, Enakshi & Robertson, Angela. 1999. *Scratching the Surface: Canadian Anti-Racist Feminist Thought*. Toronto: Women's Press.
6. Hooks, bell. 2000. *Feminism is for Everybody*. Cambridge, MA: South End Press.
7. Jakubowski, Lisa Marie. 1997. *Immigration and the Legalization of Racism*. Halifax: Fernwood Publishing.
8. Mohanty, Chandra Talpade. 2003. *Feminism without Borders: Decolonizing Theory, Practicing Solidarity*. Durham & London: Duke University Press.
9. Razack, Sherene H. 1998. *Looking White People in the Eye: Gender, Race, and Culture in Courtrooms and Classrooms*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.
10. Vorst et al, Jesse. 1991. *Race, Class, Gender: Bonds and Barriers*. Toronto: Garamond Press.

Science and Technology (Feminist)

A. Contextualization, re Science, Technology, and Society (aka Studies of Science and Technology (STS))

1. Cheek, Dennis 1992 *Thinking constructively about Science, Technology, and Society education* New York, State University of New York Press
2. Hess, David 1997 *Science studies: an advanced introduction* New York, New York University Press
3. Jasanoff, Sheila, Markle, Gerald, Petersen, James, Pinch, Trevor (eds.) 1995 *Handbook of Science and Technology Studies* Thousand Oaks, Sage

B. Debate on the two cultures of arts (including social sciences) and sciences (natural/applied/health sciences), in relation to the limited development of FSTS in Women's Studies

1. Fausto-Sterling, Anne 1992 "Building two-way streets: the case of feminism and science" *NWSA Journal* 4(3): 336-349
2. Hubbard, Ruth, Harding, Sandra, Tuana, Nancy, Rosser, Sue 1993 "Comments on Anne Fausto-Sterling's 'Building two-way streets'" *NWSA Journal* 5(1): 45-76
3. Fausto-Sterling, Anne 1993 "Response" *NWSA Journal* 5(1): 76-81
4. Swedberg, L. 1993 "Fallible or lovable: response to Anne Fausto-Sterling's 'Building two-way streets' (NWSAJ 4:3)" *NWSA Journal* 5(3): 389-391

C. Some of the foundational texts for FSTS

1. Bleier, Ruth (ed.) 1986 *Feminist approaches to science* New York, Athene Series, Pergamon Press
2. Boston Women's Health Collective 1971 *Our bodies, ourselves: a book by and for women* Boston, New England Free Press
3. Diamond, Irene, Orenstein, Gloria (eds.) 1990 *Reweaving the world: the emergence of ecofeminism* San Francisco, Sierra Club Books
4. Duran, Jane 1998 *Philosophies of science/feminist theories* Boulder, Westview
5. Harding, Sandra 1986 *The science question in feminism* Ithaca, Cornell University Press
6. Longino, Helen 1990 *Science as social knowledge: values and objectivity in scientific inquiry* Princeton, Princeton University Press
7. Mies, Maria, Shiva, Vandana 1993 *Ecofeminism* Halifax, Fernwood Press
8. Rosser, Sue (ed.) 1988 *Feminism within the science and health care professions: overcoming resistance* New York, Athene Series, Pergamon Press
9. Rossiter, Margaret 1982 *Women scientists in America: struggles and strategies to 1940* Baltimore, Johns Hopkins University Press
10. Rothschild, Joan (ed.) 1983 *Machina ex dea: feminist perspectives on technology* New York, Athene Series, Pergamon Press
11. Schiebinger, Londa 1999 *Has feminism changed science?* Cambridge, Harvard University Press
12. Walkerdine, Valerie, Girls and Mathematics Unit 1989 *Counting girls out* London, Virago Press
13. Warren, Karen 1987 "Feminism and ecology: making connections" *Environmental Ethics* 9 (Spring): 3-20

Women and Development

1. Braidotti, Rosi, et.al. 1994. *Women, the Environment and Sustainable Development: Towards a Theoretical Synthesis*. London: Zed Press.
2. Dagenais, Huguette & Piche, Denise (eds.). 1994. *Women, Feminism and Development*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.
3. Dalla Costa, Mavorosa and Dalla Costa, Giovanna F. 1995. *Paying the Price: Women and the Politics of International Economic Strategy*. London: Zed Books.
4. Fourth World Conference on Women. 1996. *Platform for Action and the Beijing Declaration*. New York: United Nations.
5. Kabeer, Naila. 1995. *Reversed Realities: Gender Hierarchies in Development Thought*. Dhaka: The University Press Limited.
6. Mies, Maria. 1982. *The Lace Makers of Narsapur: Indian Housewives Produce for the World Market*. London: Zed Press.
7. Moser, Caroline. 1993. *Gender Planning and Development: Theory, Practice & Training*. London & New York: Routledge.
8. Porter, Marilyn and Judd, Ellen. 1999. *Feminists Doing Development: A Practical Critique*. London: Zed Press.
9. Rowbotham, Sheila & Linkogle, Stephanie (eds.). 2001. *Women Resist Globalization: Mobilizing for Livelihood and Rights*. London: Zed Books.
10. Sen, Gita and Grown, Caren. 1987. *Development, Crises, and Alternative Visions: Third World Women's Perspectives*. New York: Monthly Review Press.