

**WGST 3809A: Feminist Thought**

What do we mean by 'theory'? Who gets to participate in theory building? What makes feminist theory different? How is feminist knowledge production influenced by power, privilege and geopolitics? A central theme of this course is that theory helps us understand how ideas operate on a practical level to shape laws, policies, cultural practices, and other aspects of our society. This exploration includes the examination and analysis of local and global feminist thoughts on gender, oppression, race, sexuality, disability, reproductive justice, colonialism, nationalism and non-human agency.