

## **WGST 4003/5003: Traversing Feminisms (late Summer 2020)**

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This course was developed as an **online asynchronous course** before all summer 2020 courses were moved to a virtual format. Therefore, this course will proceed largely as planned.

The course is designed to address the needs of students entering or interested in graduate programs in Women's and Gender Studies and related fields, and seeking additional foundations and background. It would also be well suited to advanced undergraduate students interested in Women's and Gender Studies and seeking a more flexible course delivery.

### Course Time/Location:

This course will be conducted online thru CHLearn and other related communication tools. This course is fully **asynchronous** and **students are not required to meet during specific times**. This means that students are able to access all elements of the course at their own pace, although the instructor will post regular update messages/videos and hold consistent online office hours. Even without set meeting times, there are numerous posting deadlines during the course, so students will need regular access to the course page and its contents throughout the late summer semester.

### Course Description

Students will be introduced to debates about gender, sexuality, class, race/ethnicity and their societal and cultural expressions, feminist theories, and social movements. The course emphasizes knowledge, learning community, sustainable scholarly practices, and the importance of feminism. As an existing online course with many possible directions, this course allows students to plot their own path through key feminist theories and methodologies in various modules.

### Materials:

Students require access to a computer with Internet. It is also recommended that they have access to Word and Powerpoint in order to view course materials.

All readings and reference materials will be available online through Carleton University's library. Students are not required to purchase textbooks or other reading materials.

### Assessments:

There are **NO** exams/quizzes that require students to be online at the same time. The due dates and requirements for various assessments will be clearly indicated in the syllabus. All assignments will be submitted via CULearn.

Assessments for this course will include forum posts, an e-portfolio of written and recorded assignments, and a take home exam.