

ANTH 4109/5109 ETHNOGRAPHY OF GENDER

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course offers an introduction to the sub-discipline of feminist anthropology. Through a close reading of selected classic and contemporary anthropological texts, we will explore a wide range of key concepts that are concerned with the intersections between gender, capitalism, colonialism, imperialism, kinship, nationalism, migration, religion, race, class, resistance movements and the state. Emphasis will be given to anticolonial and postcolonial feminist perspectives. Examining the value of ethnographic research and writing, we will probe dominant, gendered, racialized, classed and euro-centric assumptions over what counts as the “political” to rethink what counts as “political action”.

EVALUATION

Assignment	Grade
Reading Responses	30% (Best 6/9)
Participation	15% (1% per session, 5% for quality of participation in class discussion)
Attendance & discussion	
Seminar discussion leading	10%
<u>Capstone Assignment</u>	5%
Step 1 Select or find an Ethnography	
Step 2 Presentation on your ethnography	15%
Step 3 Peer-review workshop	1% for class attendance, see “Participation”
Step 4 Submit Book review	25%
Extra-Credit Assignment	1.5% bonus 3% bonus

TEXT

Sophie Ritche-Devroe. 2018. “Women's Political Activism in Palestine: Peacebuilding, Resistance,

and Survival” University of Illinois Press.