

UCSC FEMINIST STUDIES GRADUATE SEMINARS 2009-2010

FALL 2009

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Feminist Stu	214	Topics in Feminist Science Studies	K. Barad
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Course Descriptions (Enrollment limited to 15 graduate students.)

Feminist Studies

201. Feminist Methodologies. S

Explores feminist theorizing across disciplinary and cultural contexts for both methodology (theories about the research process) and epistemology (theories of knowledge). Goal is to orient students toward changes in organization of knowledge and provide them with different feminist methodologies in their pursuit of both an "object" of study and an epistemology. May be repeated for credit. A. Arondekar

214. Topics in Feminist Science Studies. S

Examines feminist science studies. Topics will vary and may include: the joint consideration of science studies and poststructuralist theory; the relationship between discursive practices and material phenomena; and the relationship between ontology, epistemology, and ethics. K. Barad

225A. Theories of Slavery. S

Explores philosophical, legal, and socio-historical analyses of slavery. Focus on Atlantic slavery and the production of race and gender formations, complemented by discussion on contemporary forms of slavery. Impact of historical slavery on prevailing discourses and institutions. (Also offered as HISC 205A. Students cannot receive credit for both courses.) A. Davis

240. Culture and Politics of Human Rights. F

Examines cultural, philosophical and political foundations for human rights and provides students with critical grounding in the major theoretical debates over conceptualizations of human rights in the Americas. Addresses the role of feminist activism and jurisprudence in the expansion of human rights since the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Addresses the challenges of accommodating gender rights, collective rights and social and economic rights within international human rights framework. (Formerly Feminism and the Culture

and Politics of Human Rights.) (Also offered as LALS 240. Students cannot receive credit for both courses.) R. Fregoso

264. Idea of Africa. W

Examines the position of Africa in cultural studies and the simultaneous processes of over- and under-representation of the continent that mark enunciations of the global and the local. Themes include defining diaspora, the West as philosophy, and Africa in the global economy. (Also offered as HISC 264. Students cannot receive credit for both courses.) G. Dent

History

215A. Labor and the Working Class. W

Addresses topics in history of working people, the labor movement broadly defined, and political-economic change in the U.S. Topics include race, ethnic and gender dynamics, and U.S. labor and working-class history in global context. D. Frank

230B. Engendering China. W

Reading seminar on the history of Chinese gender, focusing on the Qing dynasty (1644–1911) to the present. Topics include marriage and family, sexuality, work, the gendered language of politics, and major reform movements. Enrollment limited to 20. G. Hershatter

History of Consciousness

251A. Readings in Science Studies. S

Focus is on recent literature in social, cultural, and historical studies of science, medicine, and technology. This seminar familiarizes students with current scholarly debates, research networks, national traditions, international exchanges, conference proceedings, interdisciplinary projects, and publication sites. May be repeated for credit. D. Haraway