

HST 251: The History of American Women

A survey of women's lives in America from the beginning of the English settlement to the present. The course considers marriage, family, childrearing, work, religion and politics. Readings, lectures, and discussions emphasize the diversity of women's lives according to age, race, ethnicity, social class, and place of residence. Prerequisite: A passing score on the College's writing and reading placement tests or, C or better or concurrent enrollment in ENG 091 or ENG 092. Three lecture hours per week. Gen. Ed. Competencies Met: Critical Thinking, Global and Historic Awareness, Multicultural and Social Perspectives and Written Communication.

Course Student Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to: 1. Explain the political, social, and cultural history of a diverse population of American women from the Pre-Columbian period to the present day. 2. Assess the ways that women have altered and shaped the social, cultural, and political face of the United States. 3. Appraise the transformation and evolution of gender relations throughout American history and across various cultural, ethnic, and socio-economic groups. 4. Analyze both primary and scholarly sources on women's history including art, literature, and speeches. 5. Analyze issues affecting women in American history in their greater historical context, and how they impact women today. 6. Write analytically about issues affecting women in American history and their greater historical context.

Credits: 3

Program: History