SUMMER 2009 UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

GSC 27999 Gender Studies Gateway Course
For all Majors & Minors
No Hours/No Credits Co-Requisite Course for Pre-approval Registration
All Gender Studies Majors and Minors are pre-approved for this Gateway Course. Every Gender Studies Major and Minor **MUST REGISTER FOR THIS COURSE ONCE A SEMESTER** in order to obtain pre-approved permission to register for Gender Studies Courses other than those specifically requesting Department Approval.

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GSC 30563 Gender and Society
TR 1:15 pm-3:45 pm
Fulfills Social Science Requirement for Undergraduate Majors
Monique Gregg/SOC
This course is an introduction to the study of gender and society. We will study how gender is constructed through social interaction and how it is patterned in a wide gamut of structural locations, such as the following: education, media, family, the field of medicine, and business and the economy. Major themes in this course include the social construction of gender, how people "do" gender, and patriarchy and the perpetuation of gender inequality in our society. After exploring the core characteristics of patriarchy and its power as a social system, the final project in this course will work toward solutions to gender inequality.

GSC 30570 Slavery in the Atlantic World
MW 1:15 pm – 3:45 pm
Fulfills Humanities or Diversity Requirement for Majors
Denise Challenger/AFST
This survey course explores the role of coerced African labour in the birth of the Atlantic World. What do we mean by Atlantic World? What do we mean by slavery? What varied and nuanced claims to humanity did Africans make against a dehumanizing labour system? How did sexuality and gender norms shape the experiences of slavery for men and women? Together we will examine slave autobiographies, travel diaries, and pictorial sources to address these questions. We will explore how trans-Atlantic slavery connected the economies, cultures and societies that bordered the Atlantic Ocean. Our focus will be on the peoples of West Africa, Brazil and the Caribbean who were enslaved from the fifteenth to the nineteenth century.
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