

Certificate Course List - Fall 2006

COMM 791R	<u>Communication & Development</u> Thursday 4:00-6:55PM	Paula Chakravarty
ECON 706	<u>Political Economy III (Political Economy of Race and Gender)</u> Wednesday 10:30-12:45	Nancy Folbre
HISTORY 594F	<u>Female Immigrants, US</u> Tuesday, Thursday 2:30-3:45	Laura Lovett
HIST 594T	<u>Rethinking the Civil Rights Movement</u> Thursday 2:30-5:00pm	Francoise Hamlin
HISTORY 691X	<u>U.S. Women & Gender History</u> (4 credits) Monday 6:30-9:00 p.m.	Joyce Berkman
SPANISH 797A	<u>Women and Film</u> Monday, Wednesday 1:25-4:00	Barbara Zecchi
WOMENSST 395C/597B	<u>Interrogating Fear: Bioterror, the Environment and the Construction of Threats</u> Wednesday 3:35-6:05	Banu Subramaniam

We live in a world filled with fear and anxiety about potential biological and environmental threats such as the bird flu, bioterrorism, and global warming. Should we be afraid of these threats? Are they exaggerated or genuine? This course systematically explores the construction of threats and addresses how historical assumptions of gender, race, class, sexuality, national security, nations and nationalism have profoundly shaped how we come to fear certain things and not others. Drawing on popular, academic and policy literature, we will examine the facts and fictions that go into the construction of threats and the analytical tools we can use to discern them. We also look at how different understandings of the same threat, e.g. bioterrorism and global warming, lead to divergent policy responses. In particular, we will explore how the construction of post-Cold War security threats draws on deep-seated discourses of danger about the Third World. Some of the topics include: population; immigration; fears of invasive species and pathogens; naturalizing ethnicity and tribalism; terrorism; and the nuclear threat. We will conclude the course by looking at how neglected threats, such as the environmental contamination caused by nuclear weapons and other chemical and biological pollutants, are often obscured. The course will be offered simultaneously at Hampshire College by Betsy Hartmann and at the University of Massachusetts by Banu Subramaniam, and students will have opportunities to interact with each other and both professors.

WOMENSST 591B Women's Studies Five College Seminar (1 credit)

Graduate collaborative seminar with the Five College Women's Studies Research Center. Offline. Contact Nancy Patteson in the Women's Studies office to register.

WOMENSST 791B Feminist Theory
Tuesday 4:00-6:30 Ann Ferguson

Open to Certificate students or with permission of Instructor. See instructor for course description. Contact Nancy Patteson in the Women's Studies office to register.

WOMENSST 793A Graduate Research Project

Final research project for Certificate in Advanced Feminist Studies. Offline. Contact Nancy Patteson in the Women's Studies office to register.