THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN'S, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY STUDIES

Advising Newsletter FALL 2023

Registration Period: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 – Friday, April 14, 2023

End of add/drop: Wednesday, September 6, 2023

Registration Tips

You can find the date and time at which you become eligible to register on PAWS. If you have yet to do so, please familiarize yourself with the PAWS system.

Before the registration period, set up a virtual meeting time with your advisor. Your advisor should be listed on your PAWS account. If your advisor is not listed, email Meyri at delossm1@tcnj.edu.

Prior to your advisement appointment, retrieve all the necessary information you will need.

Review the requirements for your program at WGS Department Advising Syllabus: http://wgs.pages.tcnj.edu/for-students/advising/

Check the courses offered. Devise a tentative schedule for the Spring term including back-up courses. Put desired courses in your PAWS shopping cart.

If you are a double major, you must also make an appointment to see your advisor for your other major.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN WGSS

Course Overload
Students who have two majors, are pursuing intensive language study, or are hoping to graduate early may want to take more than 4 courses in a semester. Any student can enroll for 4.5 course units without permission. To take 5 course units during a semester, you need to have earned at least 8 course units at TCNJ and to have a GPA of at least 3.3. No departmental approval is required. For more information, please visit https://hss.tcnj.edu/resources/current-students/forms/

WGS 391/Independent Study
Students interested in studying special topics for which there is not an existing course may enroll in an independent study worth from .25 to 1.5 courses credits if they have a GPA of at least 2.5 and have earned at least 12 course units. The student and a faculty mentor design a course of study, including readings and assessed assignments, plan a schedule of meetings, and submit a proposal through the HSS Independent Study system. For more information, please visit https://hss.tcnj.edu/resources/current-students/forms/

WGS 393/Independent Research
Students interested in conducting original research on a special topic, or in assisting a faculty member with their research, may enroll in an independent research course worth from .25 to 1.5 courses credits. The student must have a GPA of at least 3.0 and have earned at least 12 course units. In consultation with a faculty mentor, the student writes a proposal specifying research objectives and techniques, and submits it through the HSS Independent Study system. For more information, please visit https://hss.tcnj.edu/resources/current-students/forms/. To access the IS application, visit: https://tcnj.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dmMTPSqgzJ7y3f8.

WGS 496 Honors Independent Research
Departmental Honors is open to any WGSS major with a GPA of at least 3.5 in the major and the permission of the department chair. Honors projects are extended research papers or research-based projects produced under the supervision of a faculty mentor. Students begin their honors projects while enrolled in WGS 495 Senior Capstone and complete papers or projects that extend their capstone research while enrolled in WGS 497. A departmental committee of 2-3 members will approve project proposals and evaluate the completed work in conjunction with the faculty mentor. For more information, contact the department chair. Prerequisites: WGS 325 Feminist Theories, WGS 326 Intersectional Qualitative Research Methods (or equivalent), WGS 498 Senior Seminar.

Highlights

Topics

WGS 370.01 - Graffiti and Social Movements
with Dr. khasawnih
This is an upper-level survey course that investigates the role of informal ephemeral public visual culture (graffiti, murals, posters, stickers, etc.) that are produced during moments of social, cultural, political movements, unrest, and revolution. Through intersectional transnational and Third World feminist perspectives, this course looks at the roles of these artifacts have in our understandings of gender, race, sexuality, nation, religion, class, and other categories of identity across different geographies such as the United States of America, Brasil, and Palestine, to name a few. We will investigate the ways this ephemera engages and negotiates, as well as systems of oppression such as occupation, settler-colonialism, state sanctioned violence, racism, classism, and other systems of oppression and violence. We will look at liberation movements in Palestine, Black Lives Matter movements in the US and globally, the 2011 Egyptian Revolution, among other movements. The course aims to contextualize these ephemera within time and geography, as well as to make transnational comparisons that demonstrate the ways systems transgress borders of the nation state. This course brings together feminist readings of histories of graffiti and murals, urban studies and geography, cultural studies, and social movements.

WGS 370.02- Brujas and Blackness: Transnational Feminist Perspectives of AfroLatinidad
with Dr. Cortes
Blackness and brujería (witchcraft) are taboo topics within Latinx communities; both typically connote negative imagery and are actively avoided. Recently, the bruja identity has been reclaimed by many AfroLatinx women who see it as an outward expression of their AfroLatinidad and source of personal empowerment. Through a variety of course materials – academic articles, personal reflections, performance, and art – we will explore the Latinx spiritual practices such as espiritismo, Santeria, Palo Monte, among others, which will become avenues through key themes in Black/Latina/Chicana feminisms within the contexts. (Dr. Cortes will also be teaching WGS 270.01- Intro to Latine/x Feminisms)

Seminars

- WGS 325-Feminist Theory
  - with Dr. Gray
- WGS 326- Intersectional Qualitative Research Methods
  - with Dr. Jaksch
- WGS 365/AAS 375 - Black Feminist Thought
  - with Dr. Adair
- WGS 498.01 /AAH 498 Senior Seminar: Methods Theory
  - with Dr. Hutton

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Course Number, Tittle, and Professor	Days and Time	G	GP	R&E	SCHP	BSC	LVPA	WV/WK	W	SS	ENG
WGS 151 Gender, Race, and Sexuality in US Sports											
01 Colbeth	T: 4:00 - 6:50p	X									
WGS 170 Topics in WGSS											
Gender, the Body, and US History		X			X						
01 Burke	M 5:30-8:20pm										
WGS 200 Intro to Womens, Gender & Sexuality Studies											
01 khasawnih	TF: 9:30 - 10:50am										
02 khasawnih	TF 11:00 - 12:20pm	X				X				X	
03 Francis	MR 12:30 - 1:50pm										
04 Francis (WILL section)	MR 11:00 - 12:20pm										
WGS 209 Reproductive Justice											
01 Cornell	TF 9:30-10:50am	X	X	X							
WGS 210 Women & Health: Power, Politics, & Change											
01 Cooper	T 5:00-7:00pm	X				X				X	
WGS 220 Gender & Popular Culture											
01 Braverman	Online										
02 Grayson	Online	X					X				
03 TBD	TF 9:30-10:50am										
04 TBD	TF 11:00-12:20pm										
WGS 222 Non-violence and Peace Action	R 5:00-7:50pm										
01 Zino		X	X			X				X	
WGS 225 Gender in Children's Literature											
01 Van Buren	MR 9:30-10:50am	X					X				X
02 TBD	R 5:00-7:00pm										
WGS 235 Gender & Violence											
01 TBD	T 5:00-7:50pm	X				X				X	
WGS 236 Feminist Disability Studies											
01 Swift-Grapstul	MR 9:30-10:50am	X				X					
02 TBD	R 5:00-7:50pm										
WGS 241 Intro to Sexuality Studies											
01 Rodriguez	MR 2:00-3:20pm	X				X				X	
02 Rodriguez	MR 3:30-4:50pm										

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WGS 250 Politics of Sexuality 01 Weller	W 5:00-7:50pm	X				X					
WGS 270 Topic in WGSS **Intro to Latine/x Feminisms** 01 Cortes	MTh 11:00-12:20pm	X									
Gender at King Arthur's Round 02 Steinberg	MTh 3:30- 4:40pm	X									
WGS 306 Sex & Gender in Greco-Roman Antiquity 01 Haynes	TF 11:00-12:20pm	X	X	X							
WGS 325 Feminist Theory 01 Gray	T 4:00-6:50pm	X						X	X		
WGS 326 Intersectional Qualitative Research Methods 01 Jaksch	MR 11:00-12:20pm	X				X			X		
WGS 327 European Social History Since 1789 01 Paces	MR 11:00-12:20pm	X	X	X							
WGS 340/WGST 570 Queer History in the U.S. 01 Warren	T 4:00-6:50pm	X			X				X		
WGS 342 LGBTQ+ Issues in K - 12 Education 01 Braverman	M 5:00-7:50pm	X							X		
WGS 360 Lit by Latinas & Latin American Women 01 Ortiz-Vilarelle 02 Ortiz-Vilarelle	MR 9:30-10:50am MR 11:00-12:20pm	X	X	X							
WGS 365/AAS 375 Black Feminist Thought 01 Adair	TF 2:00-3:20pm	X						X	X		
WGS 370 Topics in WGSS **Graffiti and Social Movements** 01 khasawnih	M 12:30-3:20pm	X	X				X	X			
Brujas and Blackness **Transnational Feminist Perspectives of AfroLatinidad** 02 Cortes	MTh 12:30 - 1:50pm	X									
WGS 376 Global Women Writers 01 Neuman	M 3:30-5:20pm	X	X	X					X		
WGS 398 Feminism in the Workplace: Field Study in WGSS 01 Colbeth	W 5:00-7:50pm	X							X		
WGS 498/AAH Senior Seminar: Methods & Theory 01 Hutton	M 4:00-6:50pm	X				X			X		