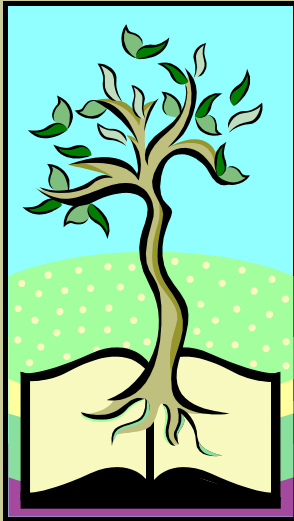


Cross-Listing Courses with the University of South Florida's Department of Women's Studies

“All courses cross-listed with Women's Studies should be informed by contemporary Women's Studies scholarship and provide students with an understanding of feminist perspectives.”



In order for your course to be approved for cross-listing with Women's Studies, please provide the following information:

- 1) a detailed course description or syllabus, including the list of readings and a description of your teaching method and
- 2) a statement about why you feel that this is a Women's Studies course rather than, more simply, a course about women.

WST Policy on Cross-Listing Courses

In considering whether to approve a course as a women's studies course, the Department of Women's Studies employs three major, somewhat overlapping, criteria based on course content, scholarship/methodology, and pedagogy. In addition we look at whether there is a need for such a course in our curriculum.

The criteria we use are as follows:

Content: The course should have as its central focal points issues of gender, issues of special concern to women, and the diversity of women's lives, e.g., race, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation, age, ability, from cross-cultural perspectives.

Scholarship/methodology: The course should present and employ recent feminist scholarship, methodologies, concepts, and analyses so that students can acquire an understanding of the multiplicity of feminist approaches and perspectives and can develop their own informed positions on the issues raised in the class.

Pedagogy: Whatever the teaching methods employed, they should foster a climate of mutual inquiry and exchange of ideas among and between faculty and students. They should encourage students to reflect on how the issues of gender in the course are produced in everyday life and in larger contexts such as, the social, political, psychological, cultural, economic, historical and the technological. They should encourage students to develop critical thinking skills, offer them the opportunity to articulate their own positions on the issues raised by the course, and allow for an incorporation of feminist perspectives in assignments.

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