

**HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
COURSE OUTLINE**

<b>DIVISION:</b>	<b>Social Science</b>
<b>COURSE TITLE:</b>	<b>Women's Studies</b>
<b>COURSE NUMBER:</b>	<b>SS 245</b>
<b>CREDIT:</b>	<b>3 Credits (3,0)</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>REVISED: Spring 2006</b>
<b>GRADE TYPE:</b>	<b>Letter Grade</b>
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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed to examine some of the major concepts, perspectives, issues and debates in women's studies. It will take a critical approach to the issues that affect women's lives in the United States as well as in other parts of the world. Emphasis may be placed on women's social, psychological, historical, political and cultural experiences.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

Students successfully completing the Women's Studies seminar will:

1. Demonstrate understanding of key concepts and theories in the field of study.
2. Be able to analyze and think critically about issues in the field.
3. Be able to identify important contributors and research in the field.
4. Be able to ask critical thinking questions and lead discussions about important and controversial issues in the field.

**OUTCOMES**

The student is expected to achieve the following outcomes:

- 90% of the time or greater-exceeds standard
- 80-89% of the time-exceeds standard
- 70-79% of the time-meets standard
- 60-69% of the time-approaches standard
- Below 60% of the time-does not meet standard

(Through some combination of the following: test, papers, assignments, projects, etc.)

## **MAJOR DIVISIONS OF SUBJECT MATTER**

Unit I – 18<sup>th</sup> century American Women

Topics including but not limited to the following:

- A. Pioneering Women
- B. Colonial America and women's roles and contributions
- C. Immigration

Unit II. – 19<sup>th</sup> century American Women

Topics including but not limited to

- A. Slave Women and white mistresses
- B. Abolitionists
- C. Women's Suffrage

Unit III – 20<sup>th</sup> century American Women

Topics including but not limited to the following:

- A. The vote
- B. Motherhood
- C. Work and wages
- D. Sexuality (abortion and birth control)

## **COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Please see individual instructor's syllabus

## **EVALUATION/GRADING**

Please see individual instructor's syllabus

## **TEXTBOOKS**

Please see individual instructor's syllabus

## **CLASSROOM POLICIES**

Cell phones, food, drink and inappropriate language are not allowed in class. Regular attendance and punctuality are expected.

Please see individual instructor's syllabus for a more detailed explanation of classroom policies.

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