This course surveys American women from 1619 to the present. It is designed to introduce students to a variety of historical approaches and a range of sources. Students will read primary documents, traditional narratives, and novels and view Hollywood films. Most attention is directed to the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Four topics receive particular emphasis: sex roles and socialization; women in families; paid work; and women's rights.

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**Course Description**

Students will take two exams and a final. The exams during the term may be in class or take-home depending upon a majority vote. The final is in class.

**Grading**

Calculated as follows: Six Weeks, 20%; Twelve Weeks, 20%; Discussion Section; Attendance and Participation, 10%; and Final 50%.

SEE ATTACHED.
Required Texts:
Alcott, L., *Little Women*
Chopin, K., *The Awakening*
Evans, S., *Personal Politics*
Morrison, T., *The Bluest Eye*
Schneir, M., *Feminism: The Essential Historical Writings*

Lecture Topics and Reading Assignments:

UNIT I: To 1868

Jan. 24  Themes in Women's History
26  The Colonial Family
28  Work
   Read: Friedman & Shade, pp. 41-86

31  Witchcraft

Feb. 2  Women's Status on the Eve of the American Revolution
4  The Cult of True Womanhood: I
   Read: Friedman & Shade, pp. 87-153

7  The Cult of True Womanhood: II
9  The Cult of True Womanhood: III
11  Feminization of Religion & Culture
   Read: Friedman and Shade, pp. 196-212, Alcott

14  Women's Work in Industrializing America
16  Women in Slavery
18  Missionary, Moral Reform, and Antislavery Societies
   Read: Friedman and Shade, pp. 183-196, 213-226, 267-290;
      Schneir, pp. 49-61

21  The First Woman Question
23  Women's Rights, 1848-1868
25  Legal and Educational Advances
   Read: Friedman and Shade, pp. 291-316; Schneir, pp. 2-24, 35-48, 62-131

28  EXAM

UNIT II: 1869-1929

March 2  Education and the Professions
4  Social Feminism
   No Discussion Sections

7  Black Women in Reform
9  Women in the Marketplace: I
11  Women in the Marketplace: II
   Read: Friedman and Shade, 348-71, 393-410, #32-43
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14 Women's Rights, 1869-1890
16 The Second Woman Question
18 Charlotte Perkins Gilman
    Read: Schneir, pp. 132-59, 230-46; Friedman and Shade, 329-47; Chopin

21 Feminism & Socialism
23 Woman Suffrage, 1890-1910
25 Winning the Vote
    Read: Friedman and Shade, pp. 372-92, 411-31; Schneir, pp. 308-34

April 4 1920s: Decline of Feminism
6 1920s: The Feminine Mystique
8 Sexuality and Birth Control
    Read: Chafe, pp. 25-132; Friedman and Shade, 457-78

11 EXAM

UNIT III: 1930-

13 Women at Home: Housework
15 Women at Home: Children
    No Discussion Sections

18 Women at Home: Consumption
20 Golddiggers of 1933
22 Mildred Pierce
    Read: Friedman and Shade, pp. 500-40

25 Ambivalent Legacy of Eleanor Roosevelt
27 From Depression Through War
29 The 1950s
    Read: Chafe, pp. 135-225

May 2 Women in the Marketplace
4 Origins of the Modern Movement
6 Women's Rights
    Read: Evans

9 Sexuality and the Family
11 Backlash
13 Review
    Read: Morrison; Friedman and Shade, pp. 579-91