COURSE NO. | COURSE TITLE | INSTRUCTOR
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History 392 | Women in History | Lindstrom

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course will concentrate upon the history of American women between 1830 and 1930, although the entire period from 1609 to 1977 will be surveyed. Four themes are used to organize the course: cultural images of women, women in the family setting; women in the economy; and the women's rights movement. With the time constraints, this course is designed primarily to introduce students to the varieties of women's history.

**LECTURES**

Two hours per day. MWF; or TR short lecture and discussion section

**WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS**

Two take home exams, one in class two hour final

**GRADING SYSTEM**

25% first exam; 25% second exam; 10% discussion section participation; 40% final

**REQUIRED READINGS**


Chopin, *The Awakening*

Friedman & Shade, *Our American Sisters*

Schneir, *Feminism: The Essential Historical Writings*
Required Texts:


Chopin, K. *The Awakening*

Friedan, B. *The Feminine Mystique*

Friedman, J.E., and W. G. Shade, *Our American Sisters* (Second edition)

Millet, K., *Sexual Politics*

Schneir, M., *Feminism: The Essential Historical Writings*

Welter, B., "The Cult of True Womanhood"

June 19 Introduction: The Colonial Family

20 Pre-Industrial Work Patterns: Women's Status at the Time of the Revolution

21 Discussion: Friedman and Shade, *Our American Sisters*, pp. 5-51; 76-92

The Cult of True Womanhood - I

22 The Cult of True Womanhood - II


23 Women in Slavery and Anti-Slavery

June 26 Origin of the Women's Rights Movement


27 Women's Rights: Legal and Educational Advances, Organizational Chaos

28 Exam

29 Social Feminism

30 Work in An Industrial Society

Discussion: Friedman and Shade; *Our American Sisters*, pp. 252-61; 283-312.