Preliminary Syllabus

Please Note: This is a preliminary syllabus. Some of the readings may be changed in the final version.

Assignments: Students will lead one to three discussion sessions, and have a choice of doing either (a) weekly abstracts on the assigned readings for the weeks in which they are not presenting, or (b) developing a research proposal on a women's history topic of their choice for the period between 1900 and 2000.

The goal of this course is threefold: 1) to help students to prepare for their written and oral examinations; 2) to deepen their knowledge of the ways in which women's history has reshaped our understanding of American history; and 3) to bolster their research, writing and analytical skills.

1. Introduction

2. Social Reform


3. Immigration


4. Transnationalism


5. **Labor and Popular Culture**


6. **Feminism**


7. **Family Matters**


8. **Imperialism**


9. **Discussion of Proposal Topics**
10. Women’s Political Culture


11. Racism


12. Civil Rights


13. The Rebirth of Feminism


14. Conclusion and Discussion of Full Proposals