DISCIPLINE/DEPARTMENT: Social, Cultural and Media Studies

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Revised: May 1995

Sociology 220
SUBJECT/NUMBER OF COURSE

Sociology of Women CWomen in Canada
DESCRIPTIVE TITLE

UCFV CREDITS

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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: This course will explore basic sociological approaches to understanding the changing roles of women in Canada. After introducing the process whereby women and men learn gender roles, the course will emphasize the changes occurring for Canadian women in the family, the labour force, and the community. Students will have the opportunity to research local issues and to examine changes in their own social world.

RATIONALE:

COURSE PREREQUISITES: SOC 101 preferred

COURSE COREQUISITES: None

HOURS PER TERM FOR EACH STUDENT

Lecture hrs
Laboratory hrs
Seminar hrs
Field Experience hrs

Student Directed Learning hrs
Other - specify: hrs

TOTAL HRS

MAXIMUM ENROLMENT: 35

Transfer credit requested? Yes No

AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:

Course Designer(s): J. Ballard-Kent
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PAC: Approval in Principle
PAC: Final Approval: May 1995

(Date) (Date)
SYNONYMOUS COURSES:

(a) replaces N/A (course #)
(b) cannot take N/A for further credit (course #)

SUPPLIES/MATERIALS:

TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS  (List reading resources elsewhere)


OBJECTIVES:

To develop an understanding of the roles of Canadian women from a sociological perspective, and the process whereby these roles are learned.
To understand the relationship between women, the family, the labour force and the community in an industrial society.
To understand the development of feminist sociology and other theoretical approaches to the sociology of women.
To understand the influence of historical as well as present-day social structures and ideologies on women in Canada.

METHODS:

STUDENT EVALUATION PROCEDURE:

Midterm examination
Written Assignment
Final examination
COURSE CONTENT

1. Introduction of sociology of women
2. Feminist history and theory
3. Biological and social bases of gender
4. Women in families: family structures and the feminization of poverty
5. Women in families: family work
6. Women in families: family violence
7. Midterm exam
8. Women and employment: occupational distribution
9. Women and employment: striving for equality
10. Women and employment: sexual harassment
11. Women in the community: violence past and present
12. Women in the community: religion/spirituality
13. Women in the community: ecofeminism
14. Full circle