



## Internship Syllabus

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### Course Description:

Individual arranged internships, academic assignments, and class meetings allow students to examine and discuss the relationship between feminist theory and practice.

### Prerequisites

Recommended: Three (3) Women's and Gender Studies Courses and enrollment as Women's and Gender Studies major or certificate earner.

### Course Objectives:

- Gain first-hand experience with organizations that serve women or educate the public about women and gender issues, such as shelters, media producers, cultural institutions
- Acquire skills and knowledge in a work or activist setting
- Relate feminist practice and theory
- Discover possibilities and challenges of collective action
- Build your resume and work experience

### Course requirements

#### Internship

Eight hours of work per week at the internship site for 15 weeks. (Call our office for summer hours). Students must make arrangements for transportation to and from the internship site and must notify their supervisor in advance of any absences. Each student is responsible for ensuring that an internship agreement and performance evaluation are completed and signed by the supervisor and submitted to the instructor. You can find the agreement form on the following page: [https://womenstudies.fiu.edu/academics/internship-opportunities/wgs-internship\\_agreement-3.pdf](https://womenstudies.fiu.edu/academics/internship-opportunities/wgs-internship_agreement-3.pdf)

#### Meetings and Research Report

Interns will meet either with the WGS director (or designed faculty) periodically through the semester, or will provide bi-monthly updates regarding how the internship. The academic component of the course will include some scholarly readings, and a 3.5 page research critic describing your internship, analyzing the issues and challenges by applying the course readings, and your reflections on your experience. If your internship work includes a project

(e.g., producing a show, editing a journal) of some sort, this may substitute for the research report.

### **Readings**

Each student will be assigned a reading list of readings that are relevant to the students' interest and CWGS specific internship and will email 3-5 pages critic end of the internship, (One month before the end of the semester) via email to [daricy@fiu.edu](mailto:daricy@fiu.edu) and copy [tamara.gonzalez@fiu.edu](mailto:tamara.gonzalez@fiu.edu).

### **Bi-monthly email journal**

Students who are not meeting regularly with the WS Director (or designated instructor) should email two to three paragraphs twice per month that address various aspects of the internship, including what you learned, your site activities, what insight you had and how any of your selected readings illuminate the issues and problems you confronted.

### **Academic misconduct**

When you use the words or ideas of others, you must document your source (s). If in doubt, provide a citation and/or consult the instructor. Evidence of violations will be forwarded to the committee on Academic Misconduct. For FIU policy on Academic Integrity see: <http://www.fiu.edu/~oabp/misconductweb/1acmisconductproc.htm>