

Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal

Course Work syllabus

WOMEN'S STUDIES(common)

Aim:To make aware of Women's Studies as an interdisciplinary field

To imbibe Women's Studies perspectives among Scholars

Unit 1

Introduction-Definition of Women's Studies- Nature &Scope of Women's Studies-Aims &Objectives of Women's Studies in India –Women's Studies :An Instrument for Women's Development -Need for incorporating Different Disciplines in to Women's Studies – Sociology, Economics, History, Literature, Education, Psychology, Management, Mass Media and Other disciplines -Women's Studies in the West, in the Asian Region and in India.

UNIT 2

Theories of Feminism - Liberal Feminism, Marxist Feminism, Radical Feminism, Socialist Feminism. First wave of Feminism in USA, UK and France, since 18th Century

Second wave of feminism in USA and UK 1960s - Emergence –Trade Union Movement – Civil Rights Movement – Social Reform – Peace Movement and Eco-Feminism

Unit 3

Basic Concepts-Feminsm-Sex Vs Gender, Equality Vs Equity, Gender Identity, Gender equality, Gender Stereotypes, Gender Roles, Sex Discrimination, Andro Centricity, Women's Studies Vs Gender Studies . Women's Studies as a discipline and as an interdisciplinary academic field- Role of Women's Universities and UGC Centre for Women's Studies in gender based development.

Unit 4

Empowerment – Meaning and concept of Empowerment, Individual and Collective Empowerment – Women's Studies: A Tool for Women's Empowerment-Theories- choices women can make for empowerment.

Capacity Building for empowerment of women- Amartya Sen's views - Capacity building for women – Gender mainstreaming and Capacity Building – Training Methodology

Unit 5

Women's Studies – Efforts taken towards controlling Violence Against Women and Girls-Types of Violence-Role of Social Welfare Dept-Judiciary-Media-NGOs-Health Departments

State initiatives of Women's Studies – National Committee and Commissions for Women – Government Organizations for Women – Dept of Women and Child Development – Other Initiatives by Central and State Government.

Unit – 5a.

Plagiarism – Definition – History of Plagiarism – Key to avoid Plagiarism – Different forms of Plagiarism – Intentional – Unintentional – Non – Attribution – accidental – Common Plagiarism Problems – Six ways to avoid plagiarism in Research Report – Paraphrase – cite – Quoting – Citing Quotes – Citing one's own material – Referencing – Plagiarism checker services – Softwares – write check – VAILL Tutor Tool – Plagiarism Test – Pen and Paper plagiarism Knowledge Test – etc. UGC Public notice dated 01.09.2017