

GV539-F-3 Feminism and Politics

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This course explores the interrelationship and mutual dialogue of feminism as a many-stranded and evolving movement and body of thought, politics as a concept and as a process, and political science. The first part of the course (Weeks 1-13) introduces feminism as a movement and examines the original main strands of liberal, Radical and Marxist feminism through a consideration of their implications for a number of key policy issues for women. In the second part of the course (Weeks 14-16) we look at further developments in feminist thinking, eco-feminism, black women's critique of white feminism and post-modern feminism. The third section (Weeks 17-21) considers the feminist critique of mainstream political science, how concepts of 'masculinity' can be applied to the political sphere, women's role in the political process and the implications for women and feminism of New Labour. The final session returns to issues raised at the outset concerning the nature and continuing relevance of feminism. All these issues will mainly be discussed in a British context, but cross-national comparative perspectives are not excluded.

Overall, the educational **aims** of the course are :

- (1) to extend students' awareness of political institutions and issues, by demonstrating how these have been viewed from a feminist perspective
- (2) to extend the span of students' theoretical knowledge by familiarising them with feminism as a body of theory
- (3) to encourage and enable students to adopt a critical approach to political analysis
- (4) to stimulate students' interest in politics and feminism
- (5) to enable students to improve their levels of intellectual performance in learning, analysis and written presentation
- (6) to develop further generic skills in using information technology, problem solving, oral presentation, and critical thinking and argumentation

The corresponding **objectives** are that by the end of the course, students should :

- (1) be familiar with the broad features of feminism as a movement, of women's participation in the political process and of policies towards women
- (2) have an understanding of the central debates and developments within feminist thinking, about sex and gender difference, patriarchy and the state and their implications for feminist strategy
- (3) be able to apply feminist perspectives to politics and policy issues and to compare and contrast differences between them
- (4) have some understanding of the ways in which feminism and the public political sphere have influenced one another
- (5) have improved their levels of intellectual performance in learning, analysis and written presentation, with the aid of constructive feedback from their teacher
- (6) be able to demonstrate skills in using information technology (through word processing, library searches and accessing on-line journals), problem solving, oral presentation and critical thinking (for instance through textual analysis) and argumentation.

Eligibility There are no specific prerequisites for this course but non-degree (Socrates/JYA) students can only be admitted with prior approval and all students should preferably have some background in politics or a cognate social science.

Course organisation and administration. Teaching consists of a two-hour session each week. Generally this takes the form of a relatively informal lecture in the first hour and class discussion in the second. This format is sometimes modified, particularly towards the end of the course, with a more central role for student presentation and discussion. Julie Harrison, in the Government Undergraduate Office (Room 5B.310, open 10am-1pm. and 2-4pm, phone extension 2737) is responsible for course administration.

Workload and assessment Students are expected to read for classes, participate actively in class discuss and make at least one class presentation. Formal assessment is based on essays and examination, each counting for 50% of the overall mark.

Essays, submission and deadlines

During the course students must submit three essays of approximately 2,500 words each. The first essay must be handed in no later than Friday, December 1, the second essay must be handed in no later than Friday, February 16 2005 and the third no later than Friday, April 27. The general guidelines for submission of undergraduate coursework apply. That is to say that all essays must be submitted electronically, to be received by 8am on the due date – failure to do so results in a mark of zero. Students must also submit a watermarked paper copy of the essay to me at the seminar held in the week of the deadline. Again failure to do so will result in a zero mark.

Plagiarism It is a very serious academic offence to submit written work in which text has been taken from the work of someone else, whether another student or from a book or article, without acknowledgement. The University regards this as **cheating**, for which the penalties are very severe. For details of what constitutes cheating and the penalties imposed, see the relevant section of the Undergraduate Handbook.

Basic reading There is no single text which covers all of the issues addressed in this course. However many of the topics are covered in

Valerie Bryson, *Feminist Debates* Macmillan 1999

Valerie Bryson, *Feminist Political Theory : An Introduction*, Palgrave second edition 2003

Another important text will be

Sarah Childs, *New Labour's Women MPs*, Routledge 2004

Otherwise useful background reading includes:

Wendy Stokes, *Women in Contemporary Politics*, Polity 2006

Joni Lovenduski, *Feminizing Politics*, Polity 2005

Lynda Burns (ed) *Feminist Alliances*, Rodopi 2006

Esther Breitenbach et al (eds) *The Changing Politics of Gender Equality in Britain*, Palgrave 2002

Joni Lovenduski and Vicky Randall, *Contemporary Feminist Politics*, Oxford University Press 1993

Rosemary Tong, *Feminist Thought. A Comprehensive Introduction*, Unwin Hyman 1989.

Carol Bacchi, *Women, Policy and Politics*, Sage 1999

Anne Phillips, *Engendering Democracy*, Polity 1991

Anne Phillips (ed) *Feminism and Politics*, Oxford University Press 1998

Judith Squires, *Gender in Political Theory*, Polity 1999 (This is quite demanding, so best approached later in the course)

In addition you should regularly consult the following journals :

Feminist Review (recent issues available on line)

Trouble and Strife

Women's Studies International Forum

Signs

Feminist Theory

Women and Politics (which has recently become *Politics and Gender*)

The **course outline** below indicates the lecture topic, together with suggested reading, for each week (items marked with an asterisk * are considered particularly relevant). Whilst you are not expected to read all the suggested reading, you are expected to do some reading in preparation for each week. For presentations and written assignments you are expected to have read a number of the recommended texts. Making use of material available on the internet shows initiative but is a supplement to, not a substitute for, reading the recommended texts.

[In addition to this programme, **class programmes** will be handed out in weeks 2,7 and 14 setting out the discussion topic for each class. Students will be able to make suggestions about the specifics of these topics, before they are finalised.]

Week 1 Introduction: the Feminist Movement

Objective : to consider feminism as a movement, its origins and the character of its 'second wave'

- * David Bouchier, *The Feminist Challenge*, Macmillan, 1983, Chapters 1, 2, 4, 5.
- * Vicky Randall, *Women and Politics* 2nd ed, Macmillan, 1987 Introduction and Chap.5
- * Sheila Rowbotham, *The Past is Before Us: Feminism in Action since the 1960s*, Penguin. 1989

Gisela Kaplan, G. 1992 *Contemporary West European Feminism*. Allen and Unwin 1992.

Joni Lovenduski and Vicky Randall *Contemporary Feminist Politics*. Oxford University Press 1993. Chapter 1.

[Weeks 2-5 LIBERAL FEMINISM]

Week 2 Mary Wollstonecraft and Early Liberal Feminism

Objective : to explore the premises of early liberal feminism through an examination of the writings of Mary Wollstonecraft

- * Mary Wollstonecraft *A Vindication of the Rights of Women*, Penguin, Introduction and Chaps.1,2,5,6,12,13
- * Moira Gatens, M. 1991 'The Oppressed State of My Sex' in M Lyndon Shanley and C. Pateman (eds), *Feminist Interpretations and Political Theory*, Polity Press 1991
- * Rosemarie Tong, *Feminist Thought*, chapter 1, pages 11-22.

Diana Coole , *Women in Political Theory*, Harvester Wheatsheaf 1993, chapter 5

Jane Abrey, 'Feminism in the French Revolution', *American Historical Review*, Vol.80 1975 pp.43-62

Virginia Sapiro, *A Vindication of Political Virtue. The Political Theory of Mary Wollstonecraft*, Chicago University Press 1992.

Week 3 Contemporary Liberal Feminism

Objective : to explore the development of contemporary liberal feminism, focusing on the extent to which it has retained or modified traditional liberal assumptions about human nature, the individual as the basis of society and the public-private divide, with particular reference to liberal feminist arguments about social justice and women's political representation.

- * Rosemarie Tong, *Feminist Thought*, remainder of chapter 1.
- * Janet Radcliffe-Richards, *The Sceptical Feminist: A Philosophical Inquiry* Routledge and Kegan Paul 1980. Especially Chapters 3 and 4.

Betty Friedan, *The Feminine Mystique*, Penguin 1963

Susan Moller Okin, 'Gender, the Public and the Private', in David Held (ed.) *Political Theory Today* Polity 1991. [This is also available in Anne Phillips (ed) *Feminism and Politics*, Oxford University Press 1998.]

Susan Moller Okin, *Justice, Gender and the Family* (Basic Books 1989). See especially chapters 1, 5 and 6

Judith Evans, *Feminist Theory Today*. Sage 1995 Chapters 2-4.

Anne Phillips, *Democracy and Difference* Polity Press 1993, Chapter 6 ('Must Feminists Give up on Liberal Democracy?'). [This is also available in David Held (ed) *Prospects for Democracy*, special issue of *Political Studies* Vol 40 1992] and Chapter 2 'So What's Wrong with the Individual?'

Tapper, M. 'Can a Feminist be a Liberal?', *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, Supplement to Vol. 64, June 1986.

Week 4 Equal Employment Opportunities

Objective : to examine strategies and problems in the field of equal employment opportunity, focusing on the strengths and weaknesses of a liberal feminist approach.

* Joni Lovenduski and Vicky Randall, *Contemporary Feminist Politics*, Oxford University Press, 1993 chapter 6

* Jean Gardiner *Gender, Care and Economics* Macmillan 1997, chapter 7

* Carole L Bacchi, *Women, Policy and Politics* Sage 1999, chapters 4 and 5

Jean Gregory, 'Revisiting the Sex Equality Laws' in S Walby (ed) *New Agendas for Women*, Macmillan 1999

See also Evans (cited above)
and Radcliffe Richards (cited above)

Elizabeth Meehan and Selma Sevenhuijzen (eds) *Equality, Politics and Gender* Sage 1991. See especially 'Introduction' and C. Bacchi, 'Pregnancy, the law and the meaning of equality'.

Vicky Randall, *Women and Politics* op cit, Chapter 6 pp.283-314.

And EOC (Equal Opportunity Commission) website : <http://www.eoc.org.uk/>

Week 5 Gender Quotas

Objective : to take the example of the gender quotas controversy in the Labour Party to explore further implications of a liberal feminist approach to women's political representation.

C Barrett, 'The Labour Party and Positive Discrimination in Candidate Selection', *Case Studies for Politics*, Case Study 16, University of York.

Anne Phillips, *Engendering Democracy* Polity 1991, Chapters 2, 3 and 6.

Anne Phillips, *The Politics of Presence*, Polity 1995, Chapter 3, 'Quotas for Women'

M L Krook and J Squires, 'Gender Quotas in British Politics', *British Politics* forthcoming

Judith Squires and Mark Wickham-Jones, *Women in Parliament: A Comparative Analysis*, Equal Opportunities Commission 2001

Judith Squires, 'Quotas for Women: Fair Representation?', *Parliamentary Affairs* Vol 49 No 1 1996

Julie Ballington and Azza Karam (eds) *Women in Parliament: Beyond Numbers*, revised edition 2005, International IDEA

Irene Tinker, 'Quotas for women in elected legislatures: do they really empower women?', *Women's Studies International Forum* vol 27 (5/6) 2004 pp531-46.

Ann Towns, 'Understanding the Effects of Larger Ratios of Women in National Legislatures: Proportions and Gender Differentiation in Sweden and Norway', *Women and Politics* Vol 25 No 1 and 2 2003, pp1-29

Inter-Parliamentary Union (2001) website on Women in National Parliaments - www.ipu.org/wmn-e/classif.htm

Website of International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance's Gender Quotas Project – www.idea.int/quotas.htm

[See also *Politics and Gender*, December 2005, for three articles on quotas by Mansfield, Caul Kittilson and Mark Jones.]

[Weeks 6-11 RADICAL FEMINISM]

Week 6 Early Radical Feminism

Objective : to examine the arguments of the 'founding' Radical feminists, with particular attention to Firestone's Dialectic of Sex

* Shulamith Firestone, S. 1970 *The Dialectic of Sex*, Paladin 1970.

Kate Millet *Sexual Politics*, Sphere 1971.

Susan Brownmiller *Against our Will: Men, Women and Rape*, Secker and Warburg 1975.

David Bouchier, *The Feminist Challenge*, Macmillan 1983.

Week 7 Contemporary Radical Feminism

Objective : to trace the more recent development of Radical feminism, with particular focus on the emergence of a cultural or pro-woman strand

* Valerie Bryson, *Feminist Political Theory: An Introduction*, Macmillan 1992. Chapters 11 and 12.

* Adrienne Rich, *Of Woman Born*, Virago 1977.

D Bell and Renata Klein (eds) *Radically Speaking: Feminism Reclaimed*, Zed Books 1996.

Hester Eisenstein, *Contemporary Feminist Thought*, Unwin 1984.

Alison Jagger, *Feminist Politics and Human Nature*, Harvester 1983. Chapters 5 and 9.

Sheila Jeffreys, *Anticlimax*, The Women's Press 1990.

Special Issue on 'Radical Feminism in the 1990s', *Trouble and Strife*, no.27 (c1993), p.3-15 and 21-5.

Week 8 The Concept of Patriarchy

Objective : to critically explore the concept of patriarchy and its implications for the way that politics is conceptualised, as it was originally developed by Radical feminists and subsequently modified

* Valerie Bryson, *Feminist Political Theory, op cit*, Chapter 10.

* Carole Pateman, *The Sexual Contract*, Polity 1988, Chapters 2 and 4

* Sylvia Walby, *Theorising Patriarchy*, 1990 especially Chapter 8.

Veronica Beechy, 'On patriarchy', *Feminist Review* 1979 No.3.

R McDonagh, and R. Harrison 'Patriarchy and relations of production' in Kuhn, A. and A. Wolpe (eds) *Feminism and Materialism*, Routledge 1978.

Joan Acker, 'The Problem with Patriarchy', *Sociology* 1989 Vol 23 No 2

Kate Millet, *Sexual Politics* Sphere 1971.

Week 9 Male Violence

Objective : to examine how far and in what ways Radical feminist arguments about male sexuality and violence and feminist campaigning around the issues of domestic violence and rape have been reflected in the development of public policy in these areas.

* Andrea Dworkin, A. 1983 'Feminism: An Agenda', in A. Dworkin, *Letters from a War Zone: Writings 1976-87*, Secker and Warburg 1983.

* Lovenduski and Randall, *Contemporary Feminist Politics, op cit* chapter 9.

* Lynne Segal, *Is the Future Female?* Virago, 1987, chapters 3 and 5.

and Lynne Segal *Slow Motion : Changing Masculinities, Changing Men*, revised edition, Virago, 1997, chapter 9

C L Bacchi, *Women, Policy and Politics* Sage 1999, chapter 9

Marianne Hester, Liz Kelly and Jill Radford (eds) *Women, Violence and Male Power*, Open University Press, 1997

A J Hearne, 'Racism, rape and riots', *Trouble and Strife* 1986 No.9.

Sue Lees *Carnal Knowledge: Rape on Trial*, second edition, Women's Press 2002

Nancy Matthews, *Confronting Rape : the Feminist Anti-Rape Movement and the State*, Routledge 1994

A Mama, 'Violence against Black women: gender, race and state responses', *Feminist Review* No.28, 1989.

S Abrar, et al 'Feminist Ideas and Domestic Violence Policy Change', *Political Studies* Vol 48 No 2 2000

Week 10 Motherhood

Objective : taking as the point of departure the negative views of early Radical feminism, to analyse conflicting feminist attitudes to motherhood and to consider their policy implications and impact, with particular reference to the issue of child daycare.

* Katherine Gieve, 'Rethinking feminist attitudes towards mothering', *Feminist Review*, No 25, 1987

* Lovenduski and Randall, *op cit*, Chapter 8.

* Segal, *Is the Future Female? op cit*, Chapter 4.

* Carol Smart, 'Deconstructing Motherhood', in Elizabeth Bortolaia Silva (ed.) *Good Enough Mothering?*, Routledge 1996.

Vicky Randall, 'Feminism and Child Daycare', *Journal of Social Policy*. 1996.

Vicky Randall, *The Politics of Child Daycare in Britain*, Oxford University Press 2000

Sara Ruddick, 'Maternal thinking' in Treblicot, J. (ed) *Mothering. Essays in Feminist Thought* 1984.

Melissa Benn, *Madonna and Child : Towards a new politics of motherhood* Vintage 1999

Week 11 Women : A Different Voice?

Objective : to critically examine arguments that women have a distinctive perspective on politics and policy issues, as embodied in feminist standpoint theory and the notion of an 'ethic of care'

*Carol Gilligan, *In a Different Voice*, Harvard University Press, 1982

*Nancy Hartsock, 'The Feminist Standpoint : Developing the Ground for a Specifically Feminist Historical Materialism' in S Harding and M B Hintikka (eds) *Discovering Reality*, D Reidel, 1983

Judith Evans, *Feminist Theory Today*, Sage 1995, Chapter 7

Judith Squires, *Gender in Political Theory*, Polity 1999, Chapter 5

Nancy Hartsock, 'The Feminist Standpoint Revisited' in Nancy Hartsock, *The Feminist Standpoint Revisited and Other Essays*, Westview Press, 1998

Joan Tronto, *Moral Boundaries : the political argument for an ethic of care* , Routledge, 1993

Joan Tronto, 'Beyond Gender Difference to a Theory of Care', *Signs*, 1987, Vol 12 No 4

Fiona McKay, *Love and Politics*, Continuum 2001

Susan Moller Okin, 'Thinking like a Woman', in Deborah Rhode (ed) *Theoretical Perspectives on Sexual Difference* (Yale University Press, 1990).

Marcel Stoetzler and Nira Yuval-Davies, ' Standpoint theory, situated knowledge and the situated imagination', *Feminist Theory* Vol 3 No 3 2002

Hilary Footitt, *Women, Europe and the New Languages of Politics*, Continuum 2002

Selma Sevenhuijsen, 'The Relevance of the Feminist Ethic of Care for Social Policy', *Feminist Theory*, Vol 4 No 2 2003, pp179-97

[Weeks 12-13 MARXIST FEMINISM]

Week 12 Marxist Feminism

Objective : to consider the development of Marxist feminism through and beyond a 'dual systems' approach examine Marxist assumptions that informed early Marxist feminist accounts of gender oppression, with particular reference to Engels' Origin of the Family

Friedrich Engels, *The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State*

Rosemarie Tong, op cit, chapter 2

* Michele Barrett, *Women's Oppression Today* second edition Verso 1988, Chapters 5 and 6.

Maxine Molyneux, 'Beyond the Domestic Labour Debate', *New Left Review* 116 1979.

Heidi Hartman, 'The unhappy marriage of Marxism and feminism: towards a more progressive union', *Capital and Class* No.8, 1979.

Iris Young, 'Socialist feminism and the limits of dual systems theory', *Socialist Review* 1980 10, pp.169-88.

Week 13 Theory and Practice of the State

Objective : to critically examine the early Marxist feminist conception of the state, its development, and alternative feminist approaches

* Michele Barrett, *Women's Oppression Today*, op cit

* R W Connell, 'The State, Gender and Sexual Politics', *Theory and Society*. 1990

* Carol Pateman, 'The Patriarchal Welfare State', in Carol Pateman, *The Disorder of Women*, Polity Press 1989.

*Rosemary Pringle and Sophie Watson 1990 'Women's interests and the post-structuralist state' in M.Barrett and A. Phillips (eds) *Destabilizing Theory*, Polity.

Lee Ann Banaszak, Karen Beckwith and Dieter Rucht (eds) *Women's Movements Facing the Reconfigured State*, Cambridge University Press 2003. See in particular the introductory chapter

Wendy Brown, 'Finding the Man in the State', *Feminist Studies* .1992

John Hoffman, *Beyond the State*, Polity, 1995, Chapter 5.

Mary McIntosh, 'The state and the oppression of women' in Kuhn and Wolpe, *Feminism and Materialism* op cit.

Elizabeth Wilson, *Women and the Welfare State* Tavistock, 1977 Chapter 1

Sylvia Walby, *Theorising Patriarchy* op cit.

[Weeks 14-16 DEVELOPING DEBATES WITHIN FEMINISM]

Week 14 Eco-feminism

Objective : to explore the encounter between feminism and ecological thought in eco-feminism, focusing in particular on the similarities and contrasts between cultural and socialist feminist variants

*Val Plumwood, *Feminism and the Mastery of Nature*, Routledge, 1993, Introduction, Chapters 1 and 7.

*Mary Mellor, *Breaking the Boundaries*, Virago Press 1992.

*Mary Mies and Vandana Shiva, *Eco-feminism*, Zed Books, 1993, pp1-20

Maxine Molyneux and D.L. Steinberg 1995 'Mies and Shiva's *Ecofeminism*: a new testament?', *Feminist Review*, no. 49 1995.

Andrew Dobson, *Green Political Thought*, Chapters 1, 2 and 5. (For a general introduction to green thought.)

Manjusha Gupte, 'Gender, Feminist Consciousness, and the Environment: Exploring the "Natural" Connection', *Women and Politics* Vol 24 No 1 2002

Val Plumwood, "Feminism and ecofeminism: beyond the dualistic assumptions of women, men and nature" *The Ecologist*, Vol.22 (1) 1992.

S Lahar, 'Ecofeminist theory and grassroots politics', *Hypatia* Vol 6 (1) 1991.

<http://www.enviroweb.org/eve/index.html/>

Week 15 Black Women's Critique of White Feminism

Objective : to examine the early critique of (white) feminism developed by (black) feminists, the debates about difference that it helped to trigger and the more recent development of black British Feminism

* Michele Barrett and Mary McIntosh, 'Ethnocentrism and Socialist Feminist Theory', *Feminist Review*, No. 20, June 1985.

* K K Bhavnani and M. Coulson, 'Transforming Socialist Feminism: the Challenge of Racism', *Feminist Review*, No. 23, June 1986.

* S H Mirza, (ed.) *Black British Feminism*, 1997, Introduction and Chapters 3,4,5,6,7, and 21-2. (This book contains most of the seminal interventions in this debate.) (Another important reader is Kum Kum Bhavani (ed) *Feminism and Race*, Oxford University Press, 2000.)

Michele Barrett, 'The Concept of 'Difference'', *Feminist Review*, No. 26 1987.

Patricia Hill Collins, *Black Feminist Thought*, Routledge, 1991, chapters 1 and 2.

Mary Maynard, "'Race", Gender and the Concept of "Difference" in Feminist Thought', in H. Afshar and M. Maynard, *The Dynamics of "Race" and Gender. Some Feminist Interventions*, Taylor and Francis, 1994, pp9-25.

Chandra T Mohanty, 'Feminist Encounters: Locating the Politics of Experience' in M. Barrett and A. Phillips (eds) *Destabilizing Theory op cit*. [Also available in A Phillips (ed) *Feminism and Politics*, op cit]

Pratib Parmar, 'Other Kinds of Dreams', in Mirza, *Black British Feminism*, pp.67-69.

Hannana Siddiqui, 'Black Women Activism: Coming of Age?', *Feminist Review* No 64 Spring 2000

Week 16 Feminism and Post-Modernism

Objective : to trace the emergence of feminist post-modernism, with particular reference to conceptions of women/gender and to consider its political implications

* Linda Nicholson, 'Interpreting gender', in L Nicholson and S. Seidman, (eds) *Social Postmodernism. Beyond Identity Politics*, Cambridge University Press 1995, pp39-67.

* Judith Butler, 'Contingent foundations: Feminism and the question of "postmodernism"' in J Butler, and J. Scott (eds) *Feminists Theorize the Political*, Routledge 1992.

*Kate Nash, 'The Feminist Production of Knowledge: Is Deconstruction a Practice for Women?', *Feminist Review* No.47, 1994.

Kate Soper, 'Postmodernism and its discontents' *Feminist Review* No.39, 1991.

J Sawicki, 'Foucault and Feminism: Toward a politics of difference' in Shanley, M.L. and C. Pateman (eds) *Feminist Interpretations of Political Theory op cit*, 1991.

Judith Squires, *Gender in Political Theory*, Polity 1999, chapter 2

Martha Nussbaum, 'The Professor of Parody', *New Republic* Online 22/02/99. Available at http://www.qwik.ch/the_professor_of_parody

[Weeks 17-21 POLITICS AND WOMEN]

Week 17 A Feminist Critique of Political Science?

Objective : to examine how far feminists have succeeded in elaborating an effective critique of 'malestream' political science.

*Vicky Randall, 'Feminism and Political Analysis', *Political Studies*, 1992.

*Vicky Randall, 'Feminism' in David Marsh and Gerry Stoker (eds) *Theory and Methods in Political Science*, second edition, Palgrave Macmillan 2002.

* Joni Lovenduski, 'Gendering Research in Political Science' *Annual Review of Political Science*, 1998, pp333-58

*Diana Coole, 'Feminism and Politics', pp. 24-42, in Leftwich, A. (ed.) *New Developments in Political Science*, Edgar Elgar, 1990, pp24-42.

*Fiona Mackay, 'Gender and Political Representation in the UK: The State of the "Discipline"', *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*, Vol 6 No 1 Feb 2004

K Jones, 'Towards the revision of politics', in K B Jones and A G Jonasdottir (eds) *The Political Interests of Gender*, Sage, 1988.

Virginia Sapiro, 'Feminist Studies and Political Science - and Vice Versa', in A Phillips (ed) *Feminism and Politics*, Oxford University Press, 1998

Sally Kenney, 'New Research on Gendered Institutions', *Political Research Quarterly* 1996

Susan J Carroll and Linda M G Zerilli, 'Feminist Challenges to Political Science', in A W Finifter (ed) *Political Science : the State of the Discipline*, American Political Science Association 1993

Week 18 Masculinity in Politics and Political Science

Objective: to consider how the question of masculinity could be developed, and has been explored in practice, in political science.

*R W Connell, *Masculinities*, Polity, 1996

Lynne Segal, *Slow Motion : Changing Masculinities, Changing Men*, Virago, revised edition 1997

Jeff Hearn, 'From Hegemonic Masculinity to the Hegemony of Men', *Feminist Theory*, Vol 5 No 1 2004, pp49-72

Kim E Nielsen, 'What's a Patriotic Man to Do ? Patriotic Masculinities of the Post WW1 Red Scare', *Men and Masculinities*, Jan 2004

Cynthia Cockburn, *In the Way of Women: Men's Resistance to Sex Equality in Organizations*, Princeton University Press, 1991

Xavier Andrade, 'Machismo and Politics in Ecuador. The Case of Pancho Jaime', *Men and Masculinities* Jan 2001

Week 19 Women in British Politics

Objective : to assess the extent of , and continuing barriers to, women's participation within the different arenas of British politics and to consider how far and in what ways they have made a difference to public politics

* Sarah Childs, *New Labour's Women MPs*, Palgrave 2004

*Joni Lovenduski and Vicky Randall, *Contemporary Feminist Politics*, Oxford University Press 1993, chapter 5

*Joni Lovenduski, 'Sex, Gender and British Politics', *Parliamentary Affairs*, January 1996

* Pippa Norris and Joni Lovenduski 'Gender and Party Politics in Britain', in J. Lovenduski and P. Norris (eds) *Gender and Party Politics*. Sage, 1993.

Alice Brown, et al, *Politics and Society in Scotland*, second edn Macmillan, 1998, chapter 8.

Karen Ross (ed) *Women, Politics and Change*, Oxford University Press 2002

Fiona Mackay, 'In a different voice? Scottish women politicians and the vocabulary of care', *Contemporary Politics*, Vol 4 No 3 1998, pp259-70

Pippa Norris, 'Women Politicians : Transforming Westminster?', *Parliamentary Affairs*, Vol 49 No 1 1996

Vicky Randall, *Women and Politics*, Macmillan 1987, chapters 2 and 3

Lizzie Thynne, 'Women in television in the Multi-Channel Age', *Feminist Review* No 64. 2000

Sarah Childs, Joni Lovenduski and Rosie Campbell, *Women at the Top 2005: Changing Numbers, Changing Politics*, Hansard Society 2005

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Week 20 State Feminism

Objective : to introduce the notion of state feminism and to evaluate its different forms through a cross-national comparison

*Dorothy M Stetson and Amy G Mazur (eds) *Comparative State Feminism*, Sage, 1995
Introduction and Conclusion

Joni Lovenduski, 'An Emerging Advocate : The Equal Opportunities Commission in Great Britain', in Stetson and Mazur (eds)

Judith Squires and Mark Wickham-Jones, 'Mainstreaming in Westminster and Whitehall: From Labour's Ministry for Women to the Women and Equality Unit, *Parliamentary Affairs*, January 2002

Marion Sawer, "'Femocrats in Glass Towers?': The Office of the Status of Women in Australia' in Stetson and Mazur (eds)

Joyce Outshoorn, 'Between movement and government : "Femocrats" in the Netherlands' in H Kriesi (ed) *Yearbook of Swiss Political Science* 1994.

Sonia Mazey, *Gender Mainstreaming in the EU*, European Dossier series, Kogan Page 2001

Teresa Rees, *Mainstreaming Equality in the European Union*, Routledge 1998

Shirin Rai (ed) *National Mechanisms for the Advancement of Women : Mainstreaming Gender, Democratising the State?*, Manchester University Press 2002

Louise Chappell, *Gendering Government: Feminist Engagement with the State in Australia and Canada*, British Columbia Press, Vancouver, 2002.

Week 21 Feminism, Politics and Policy under New Labour

Objective : to assess the implications for feminism and for women of developments in politics and policy under the Labour government of Tony Blair

Esther Breitenbach et al (ed) *The Changing Politics of Gender: Equality in Britain*, Palgrave 2002

Anna Coote (ed) *The New Gender Agenda*, Institute of Public Policy Research 2000

Sarah Childs, S, 'In their own words : New Labor women and the substantive representation of women', *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*, 2001, Vol 3 No 2, 173-90

D Cameron, 'Barking back', *Trouble and Strife*, No 35, summer 1997

Harriet Harman, 'Labour and women : the long and winding road', *Renewal*, Vol 8 No 1, 2000.

Sylvia Bashevkin, 'From tough times to better times : feminism, public policy and New Labour in Britain', *International Political Science Review*, 2000, Vol 21 No 4.

Angela McRobbie, 'Feminism and the Third Way', *Feminist Review*, No 64 2000

Jane Franklin, 'What is wrong with New Labour politics?', *Feminist Review*, 2000, No 66
See also 'After modernisation : gender, the third way and the new politics', in Anna Coote (ed).

Katherine Rake, 'Gender and New Labour's Social Policies', *Journal of Social Policy*, 2001, Vol 30 No 2, 209-231

Judith Squires and Mark Wickham Jones, 'New Labour, Gender Mainstreaming and the Women and Equality Unit', *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*, Vol 6 No 1, Feb 29004

Fiona Mactaggart MP, 'Women in Parliament: Their Contribution to Labour's First 1000 Days', www.fabian society.org.uk

(Michael Freedon, 'The Ideology of New Labour', *Political Quarterly* 1999.)

Women's Unit website - www.womens-unit.gov.uk

Week 22 Do We (Still) Need Feminism?

Objective : 1. to review the recent development of feminism and reassess its meaning 2. to consider how far feminism retains its relevance as a means of analysis and political programme

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