

EN863 Imagining Environmental Justice through Eco-Feminism 4-0-0 4

COURSE OBJECTIVE:

The course explores perceptions of nature, interconnections between gender and nature, perspectives on human-animal relations, climate change, environmental justice, the relationship between natural history and ecological discourses; the role of literature in environmental movements, past and present; and the impacts of environmental justice, the development of ecocritical theory and practice.

COURSE OUTCOMES:

CO- 1: Comprehend the relationship of ecocriticism to feminist studies

CO- 2: Analyze and critique ethical arguments related to global environmental moral issues.

CO- 3: Theorizing human/non-human relations and the Anthropocene

CO- 4: Varying themes, positions, and perspectives of eco-feminism.

CO- 5: Engage in interdisciplinary learning through processes of critical analysis, careful looking and deliberate description

ACTIVITIES/ CONTENT WITH DIRECT BEARING ON EMPLOYABILITY/ ENTREPRENEURSHIP/ SKILL DEVELOPMENT (based on NAAC Criteria):

The learner is able to form a clear understanding of the concepts and ideas regarding the socially and culturally relevant area of thought that is being explored in the course, enabling the learner to build a career as an Assistant Professor or content writer in the respective field.

YEAR OF INTRODUCTION: 2021

SYLLABUS

Unit 1

- Glotfelty, Cheryll. "Introduction: Literary Studies in an Age of Environmental Crisis." Glotfelty & Fromm.

- Slovic, Scott. "Nature Writing and Environmental Psychology: The Interiority of Outdoor Experience." Glotfelty & Fromm 351-70.

Unit 2

- "The Power and the Promise of Ecological Feminism," Karen J. Warren 125-146
- Greta Gaard (2015). "Ecofeminism and Climate Change"

Unit 3

- The Ethics and Aesthetics of Eco-caring: Contemporary Debates on Ecofeminism(s) Margarita Estévez-Saá & María Jesús Lorenzo-Modia
- Michael E. Zimmerman, J. Baird Callicott, George Sessions, Karen J. Warren, and John Clark (Eds.), **Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology**. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1993, pp. 253-267.

Unit 4

- "Nature, Self, and Gender: Feminism, Environmental Philosophy, and the Critique of Rationalism," Val Plumwood
 - Ann Rojas-Cheatham et al. (2009). "Looking Both Ways: Women's Lives at the Crossroads of Reproductive Justice and Climate Justice"
- Discussion of Heidi Hutner (2011). "The Birth of an Eco-Mom"

Recommended Reading

- Karen Warren (2000). Excerpts from "Key Features of an Ecofeminist Ethic"
- Cynthia Belmont (2000). "Ecofeminism and the Natural Disaster Heroine"
- Michael E. Zimmerman, J. Baird Callicott, George Sessions, Karen J. Warren, and John Clark (Eds.), *Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology* (Prentice-Hall, 1993), pp. 253-267.
- Buell, Lawrence. *The Future of Environmental Criticism*. Blackwell, 2005.
- Garrard, Greg. *Ecocriticism*. Routledge, 2004.
- Offill, Jenny. *Weather*. Granta Books, 2021.
- Glotfelty, Cheryl and Harold Fromm, editors. *The Ecocriticism Reader: Landmarks in Literary Ecology*. U of Georgia P, 1996.
- White, Lynn, Jr. "The Historic Roots of Our Ecological Crisis." Glotfelty & Fromm 3-

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