# Huron University College Political Science 2270E: Women and Politics Fall/Winter 2022-23

# **Political Science 2270E: Women and Politics**

<u>Day, time and location of lectures</u>: Mondays 12:30pm-2:30pm and Wednesdays 1:30pm-2:30pm in W18 <u>Instructor</u>: Dr. Crystal Gaudet <u>Office hours</u>: Wednesdays 12:20pm-1:20pm (Or by appointment – phone/Zoom) <u>Office Number</u>: A319-C <u>Email: cgaudet5@uwo.ca</u>

### Course Description

This course focuses on how women participate in and effect political change. It examines women's subordination and political underrepresentation through an intersectional lens as well as the wide-range of emancipatory struggles women have undertaken to achieve equality. Attention will be paid to the history of the women's movement in Canada, including the links between feminist theory, women's social and political activism, and public policy advocacy.

# Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course students should be able to:

- Recognize sex/gender, sexuality, race, and class as socially constructed and mutually constituted relations of power that shape women's lived and material realities
- Critically analyze women's political (under)representation and participation through an intersectional lens
- Differentiate between and explain key theoretical perspectives and concepts covered in this course, including how they inform women's social and political activism and policy advocacy
- Discuss the various ways women effect political change through formal and informal avenues in historical and contemporary contexts

In addition, the course will enable students to develop their:

- Written and oral communication skills
- Analytical and critical thinking skills

# **Required Texts**

Required readings for this course will be made available through OWL in the "Readings" folder under the "Resources" tab. Please note that the reading schedule may be subject to change prior to the first day of class.

### **Policy on Course Materials**

All course materials, including syllabi, assignment instructions, grading rubrics, exams, PowerPoint presentations, lectures, audio and video recordings etc., are proprietary. Students are prohibited from posting, sharing, or selling any such course materials without the express written consent of the professor teaching this course.

#### **Email Policy**

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### **Course Evaluation and Methods of Assessment**

Detailed instructions for each assignment will be provided in lecture and in OWL in the "Assignments" folder under the "Resources" tab.

TERM I – Fall 2022 Attendance and Participation 5% - (Ongoing) Reading Response Paper (2-3 pages) 10% - (Due Oct 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm EST) Discussion Question (300-500 words) 5% - (Sign Up in Class) Take Home Mid-Term Exam 25% - (Due November 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm EST)

TERM II – Winter 2023 *Attendance and Participation* 5% - (Ongoing) *Essay Workshops* (2.5% X 2) 5% - (Jan 9<sup>th</sup> and Feb 27<sup>th</sup>) *Final Essay* 45%:

- Essay Proposal/Presentation 5% Due Jan 30<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 12:30pm EST
- Annotated Bibliography 10% Due March 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm EST
- Final Paper (7-8 pages) 30% Due April 5<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 1:30pm EST

\*\*\*All written assignments must be submitted to OWL under the Assignments tab. Please ensure that your assignments are submitted as a Word Document in OWL and not as a PDF.