

Course: M.A. History

Semester	One
Paper Number	Four
Paper Title	HISTORY OF GENDER
No. of Credits	Six
No. of periods assigned	Theory: Six Practical:
Course description/objective and Outcome	This particular course will help the students to learn the various facades of gender studies with special emphasis on critical thinking. This paper has a unique multidisciplinary approach which will enable students to ‘construct’ and ‘deconstruct’ theories and discourses encompassing gender and especially women. This course welcomes intersectional, interdisciplinary and transnational teaching and research, addressing the tenacity of gendered power relations and gendered inequalities in times of global transformations. Students will be encouraged to express their ideas and thoughts to nourish their understanding of gender in the context of certain baseline and case studies as a part of the syllabi.
Syllabus	<p>MODULE- I</p> <p>Unit- 1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Defining women’s history and its evolution 2) Gender as a category of historical analysis. 3) Sources of women’s history and the challenges faced by women’s history. 4) Feminist Research Methodology <p>Unit– 2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Recent trends in feminist and gender historiography (a selection from the following): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. ‘Black’ and Third World Feminisms and the writing of history b. Postmodern Feminism and Post-colonial Feminism c. Post- Feminism d. Masculinity Studies <p>MODULE-II</p> <p>.Unit– 1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Issues and policies relating to Gender and Development 2) Women and Law 3) Gender and Environment <p>Unit – 2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Sexuality and rights movements 2) Gender and media studies
Texts	<p>ESSENTIAL READINGS-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Abbie E. Goldberg, Genny Beemyn -The SAGE Encyclopedia of Trans Studies , Sage, 2021 2) Nicole M. Else-Quest, Janet Shibley Hyde -The Psychology of Women and

	<p>Gender, Sage, 2021</p> <p>3) Robyn Ryle -Questioning Gender, A Sociological Exploration, Fourth Edition, Sage, 2020</p> <p>4) Jasodhara Bagchi - Interrogating Motherhood (Theorizing Feminism), SAGE Publications India Private Limited, 2017</p> <p>5) Jasodhara Bagchi -The Changing Status of Women in West Bengal, 1970 - 2000: The Challenge Ahead, Sage India, 2004</p> <p>6) Aparna Bandyopadhyay - Desire and Defiance: A Study of Bengali Women in Love, 1850–1930, Orient Black Swan Private Limited, 2016</p> <p>7) Samita Sen and Anindita Ghosh - Love, Labour and Law, SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2021</p> <p>8) Samita Sen , Nilanjana Sengupta - DOMESTIC DAYS, Oxford University Press, 2016</p> <p>9) Samita Sen - Women and Labour in Late Colonial India: The Bengal Jute Industry (Cambridge Studies in Indian History and Society Book 3), Cambridge University Press, 1999</p> <p>10) Taniya Roy - Representations of Marriage and Beyond , An Investigation of Early Buddhist Textual Traditions (c. Sixth Century BCE to Fifth Century BCE), PRIMUS BOOKS, 2022</p> <p>11) Pandit Gauri Datt and Others - Devrani Jethani ki Kahani or A Tale of Two Sisters-in Law, PRIMUS BOOKS, 2021</p> <p>12) Agnes Smedley -The Life and Times of an American Radical, PRIMUS BOOKS, 2022</p> <p>13) Raka Ray - Handbook of Gender, OUP, 2011</p> <p>14) Nancy Lombard (ed.) - The Routledge Handbook of Gender and Violence, Routledge, 2020</p> <p>Suggested Readings</p> <p>1) Sumi Madhok - Vernacular Rights Cultures, CUP, 2021</p> <p>2) Stephanie Lynn Budin - Gender in the Ancient Near East, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>3) Pam Rajput, Usha Thakkar (eds) -Women in State Politics in India, Missing in the Corridors of Power, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>4) Veerendra Mishra - Transgenders in India, An Introduction, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>5) Ruth Mazo Karras, Katherine E. Pierpont- Sexuality in Medieval Europe, Doing Unto Others, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>6) Skylab Sahu - Unfolding Feminism in India, Women, Power and Politics, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>7) Khalid Arar, Rania Sawalhi, Rida Blaik Hourani, Trista Hollweck, Corinne Brion - Women in Educational Leadership and Community Building, Voices from across the Globe, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>8) Eva Spišiaková - Queering Translation History, Shakespeare’s Sonnets in Czech and Slovak Transformations, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>9) Carolyn E. Sachs, Leif Jensen, Paige Castellanos Kathleen Sexsmith (eds) - Routledge Handbook of Gender and Agriculture, 2023</p> <p>10) Rosa Lopez De D’Amico, Maryam Koushkie Jahromi, Maria Luisa M. Guinto (eds) - Women and Sport in Asia, Routledge, 2023</p> <p>11) Jocelyn Getgen Kestenbaum, Caitlin O. Mahoney, Amy E. Meade, Arlan F. Fuller (eds.) - Public Health, Mental Health, and Mass Atrocity Prevention, Routledge. 2021</p>
Evaluation	<p>CIA- 20 marks</p> <p>End Sem Exam- 80 marks</p>