GNDS 836 Feminist and Queer Ethnography

Fall 2019 • T 2:30 – 5:20 pm – MC A-309 • occasional W 1:00 - 2:20 pm – MC D-503

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Skype appointments available Mon

- Understand the importance of these qualities of ethnography to the field of gender studies
- Study and appreciate the complexities of ethical research and writing about people and interpersonal relationships
- Gain and practice skills in close, critical reading of academic texts; and, in reading comprehension of book-length arguments

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COURSE SCHEDULE

Week One

Tuesday September 10 Introductions

Read and finish this week: *Feminist Ethnography* Introduction, Chapter 2 (pp 36-50), Chapters 3-6; Visweswaran "Histories of Feminist Ethnography"; Bolles "Telling the Story Straight"

Week Two

Tuesday September 17

Feminist Ethnography Introduction, Chapter 2 (pp 36-50) [undergraduates also read Chapter 1] Kamala Visweswaran, "Histories of Feminist Ethnography" Lynn Bolles, "Telling the Story Straight"

Wednesday September 18

GRAD MEETING 1, 1:00-2:15pm:

Review Feminist Ethnography Intro & Ch. 2; Visweswaran; Bolles

Trinh T. Minh-ha, "The Language of Nativism"

Lila Abu-Lughod, "Can There Be a Feminist Anthropology?"

Kirin Narayan, "How 'Native' Is a Native Anthropologist?"

Patricia Zavella, "Feminist Insider Dilemmas"

**Audra Simpson, "On Ethnographic Refusal"

Diane Wolf, "Situating Feminist Dilemmas in Fieldwork"

Feminist Ethnography Chs. 3-6

Week Three

Monday September 23

Reading Response may be submitted: on Feminist Ethnography & Wolf

Tuesday September 24

Review Feminist Ethnography Chs. 3-6; Wolf

Wednesday September 25

GRAD MEETING 2, 1:00-2:15pm:

**Fictions of Feminist Ethnography Introduction, Chs. 1-4, 6-7

Week Four

Ethnography Assignment / Paper Presentations

Thursday November 21 Paper Summary Statement Due

Week Twelve

Tuesday November 26

No seminar meeting – work on Ethnography Assignment and Paper

Ethnography Assignment Materials Due Wednesday December 4 - Friday December 6

- Interview recording and coded transcript must be submitted
- interpretive analysis of the interview may be submitted, or may follow with the paper

Paper Due between Monday December 16 - Wednesday December 18

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