



Women's Studies

Newsletter

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NEW COURSES THIS FALL!

**Transnational
Feminism (WOME
4114)**

**Masculinities in a
Transnational World
(WOME 2115)**

**Women & Canadian
Politics (WOME
2111FA)**

**Aliens & Mother-
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(WOME 2310)**

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Women's Studies, Thunder Bay Campus

...a message from the Chair

I hope the September campus atmosphere has you excited about the coming year!

For newcomers to Lakehead, there are many opportunities to be involved in the community and campus, and to get support to succeed. Faculty look forward to meeting you!

If you are a returning student, I hope you had a wonderful summer! You will see some changes to the Department, including a new Chair and Grad Coordinator.

Welcome to our new and returning Grad students.

Another great year awaits!

This year, we're running some new courses. You can sign up for courses even during the first week of classes.

Our popular Speaker Series this year gives students and Faculty the chance to hear engaging research about Women & Law.

The Department is also honoured to support Walking With Our Sisters. Watch for notices on campus and in classes, and come out to some of the great events.

A degree in Women's Studies leaves you well-prepared for the job market. Our graduates work in fields ranging from police officer to international aid worker; law, teaching, and beyond. If you have questions about the program, I'm happy to answer them, and I look forward to seeing you during the coming months.



Dr. Jenny Roth

New & Exciting Classes!!

Transnational Feminism: The much-requested course on women's activism and world issues is now here!

Masculinities in a Transnational World: Explore how politics, nation, and culture frame and shape masculinities

ROOM IS AVAILABLE IN COURSES!

Women & Canadian Politics: Women make up 25.1% of elected representatives. How can democracy be legitimate if it fails to represent half its population?

Aliens & Motherships: Sci Fi, Gender, and Social Change: Short stories, films and aliens (on planet and off).

Queer Studies: How is gender-sexuality already destabilized? How does ideology create heteronormativity and why?



Dr. Joan Sangster

Brown Bag Speaker Series: Fall 2014 Women & Law

Joan Sangster teaches in Gender and Women's Studies and also in the Frost Centre for Canadian Studies and Indigenous Studies. Her areas of expertise include women's and gender history, labour studies and legal studies. Her most recent book is *Transforming Labour: Women and Work in Post-war Canada*.

Dr. Sangster will present her paper on masculinity, grievances, violence and the workplace: "Just Horesplay? Masculinity, Grievances and the Violence in Canadian Arbitration History"

September 19,
2014

10:00am

Location TBA

Check our website!

*I refuse to believe
that trading
recipes is silly.
Tunafish
casserole is at
least as real as
corporate stock.
~Barbara Grizzuti
Harrison*

In Memoriam—Stephanie Lyn Ross

September 1, 1974—July 8, 2014

The Department of Women's Studies mourns the loss of Ms. Stephanie Ross, a graduate of the collaborative M.A. in Women's Studies and Sociology (2006). Steph was a bright and dedicated student, and we were very proud when her thesis was published as a

book, *Fanning the Flames: Negotiating Gendered Identity in Forest Fire Suppression* (2008). More recently, Steph devoted Her many talents to the St. Joseph's Care Group and was looking forward to resuming her studies in the social

work program. Steph was known for her compassion, her quick sense of humour and her love of learning. She will be deeply missed and the Department extends its condolences to her family and friends.



Introducing: Dr. Jane Nicholas, Grad Coordinator



I am delighted to be taking on the position of Graduate Coordinator as it allows me to work closely with each of our graduate students in the Women's Studies specialization. Our incoming and continuing students

are a dynamic, energetic, and Intellectually sophisticated group with diverse research interests. As Grad Coordinator I am here to help students navigate the collaborative program.

Any student interested in the Women's Studies specialization is welcome to contact me for information. jnichola@lakeheadu.ca or 807-343-8059

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*“I’m tough,
 I’m ambitious,
 and I know
 exactly what
 I want. If that
 makes me a
 bitch, okay.”
 ~Madonna
 Ciccone*

- Related Student Clubs:
 Gender Issues Centre (GIC)
 Pride
 Multicultural Association
 Aboriginal Students Association
 Muslim Students Association

- Useful Campus Contacts
STUDENT SUCCESS CENTRE
<https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/departments/services/ssc>
SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & LOANS
<https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/departments/services/safa>

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