

Women and Gender Studies Information and Topic Files

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Purpose of Thesis:

The Women and Gender Studies Program not only houses the Women Studies minor and sponsors extracurricular events but also maintains a Resource Center. Because of the presence of the center, and in fact by the nature of the program itself, students and faculty often turn to Women and Gender Studies for information on various topics of concern to women. To facilitate to retrieval of information, I have begun laying the foundation for information and topic files. These topic files, considered a work-in-progress, always open to new and updated information, serve as a ready-reference area where students, faculty and community members may come to find answers to their questions and find the references they may need. They are currently located in North Quad 115, the Women and Gender Studies Program Resource Center. A list of current headings follows.

OUTLINE OF CURRENT TOPICS:

As of 5/96

1995 UN CONFERENCE ON WOMEN--Beijing

AIDS

AGE

Elder Abuse

Health

Marital Status

Poverty & Personal Finance

ART

CANCER

breast

cervical

ovarian

lung

prevention

other

CHILD CARE

general information

COMMUNICATION

inclusive/exclusive language

language and sexual orientation

references: gender and talk

COSMETICS/COSMETIC SURGERY

DIVORCE

alimony

child custody, child support

laws

possible grounds

property division

EATING DISORDERS/DIETING

EDUCATION

athletics

campus environment: safe space, chilly climate

classroom success by women faculty

standardized testing bias

sexual relations, sexual harassment in schools

encouraging discussion by women

equitable treatment of boys and girls

scholarship and grant info

statistical information

FAIRY TALES

feminist interpretation

FEMINISM

androgyny

backlash
creation of patriarchy
pedagogy
references in
rejecting the label
research methods
types

FILM

female buddy movies
film reviews
coming of age films
on prostitution
on women's issues

HEALTH

disabilities
drug, alcohol abuse & smoking
heart disease
hysterectomy, mastectomy
mental health
menopause, menstruation, PMS
osteoporosis
sexually transmitted diseases
WHO publications

HISTORY

HOMELESSNESS & POVERTY

Welfare

INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

general information
genital mutilation
infanticide
women in foreign politics
women's rights in other countries

INTERNET

feminist list addresses
addresses of congress members
media addresses
in the classroom

LAW

women in the legal profession

LEADERSHIP & EMPOWERMENT

women in authority
empowering young girls

MEDIA

biases
discrimination within the field

MEN'S STUDIES

MILITARY

laws restricting women, treatment of women in the military, military education
women in the military

POLITICS

Equal Rights Amendment
gender gap in voting patterns
women in state, local, and federal gov't
political action committees

POPULATION STATISTICS

RACE

women of color and identity
feminism and multiculturalism
women of color in the academe
backlash by men of color against women of color

RELIGION

REPRODUCTION & CHILDBIRTH

general
abortion, RU-486
adoption
birth control, sterility, infertility
childbirth methods, breast feeding
motherhood
Planned Parenthood and other clinics

PSYCHOLOGY

women and the APA, women as psychologists, treatment of women's issues
by the APA

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

in education, women as professionals

SEX INDUSTRY

prostitution, pornography

SEX/SEXUALITY

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

SEXUAL ORIENTATION

legislation
discrimination

SUFFRAGE

175th anniversary: 1995
general information

VIOLENCE & SAFETY

self defense
child abuse/molestation
domestic violence
help for/info on violent men
rape/sexual assault
screening for violent injuries

women criminals, women in prison

WOMEN AND WORK

business professions

glass ceiling

occupational information, pay equity

sexual/pregnancy discrimination

WOMEN/GENDER STUDIES

at Ball State

strengthening the core of a program

references in

curricula

syllabi

not alienating men, readings for men

dealing with conservative students

Sources: Information came from a variety of courses, all of which are labeled accordingly. Sources include, but are not limited to: WMST-L archives on the internet, various World Wide Web pages, pamphlets and brochures from area service agencies, newspaper articles from Muncie, Alexandria, Ft. Wayne, etc., magazine and journal articles, student research and feminist statistical source books.