

Feminism: Philosophical Theory and Practice

Phil 230 Spring 2014

Course Description

We will be tracing the history and examining the content of feminist philosophy. Feminist theorists have made great contributions to philosophy as well as other disciplines, particularly over the last 60 years. The goal of the course is to understand how gender norms pervade the philosophical discourse and affect personal identity. We will cover feminist thought in metaphysical, ethical, and political frameworks. In particular, the course will examine social construction, sex and gender, feminist ethics and epistemology, the dynamics of difference, power, and violence, and feminist philosophy of science. This course will provide students with different perspectives and new methods of philosophical examination.