

## **SOCY/WMST 1006: The Social Construction of Sexuality - Fall 2009**

### **Recitation Information**

Mon 8-8:50 am – Ketchum 301  
Weds 8-8:50 am – Duane G131  
Weds 12-12:50 pm – Muenzinger E123

### **Lecture Information**

Tues-Thurs 8-8:50 am - Hellems 232

### **TA Information**

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### **Office hours**

Mon 11-1 pm, Tues 9-11 am, and by appt.  
*\* Please don't hesitate to come to office hours!\**

### **Recitation Goals**

Sexuality is a realm of our lives with both personal and social components. Commonly we think of sexuality as a "private issue", of no one's concern but our own. However, sexuality is also a public issue. Our sexualities are regulated by the state and other social institutions including our families, religious communities, and schools. In this course we will examine the social and historical forces that shape our sexualities, including sexual norms, sexual identities, romantic relationships, sexual inequalities, and sexual communities. More generally, this recitation is designed to provide students with an opportunity to discuss and critically assess the ideas presented in the lecture and assigned readings.

### **Recitation Grading - 75 points total can be earned in recitation**

6 15-point quizzes will be handed out in recitations, and I will drop the lowest quiz score.  
5 graded quizzes x 15 points possible on each graded quiz = 75 points possible in recitation.

**Quiz Purpose:** Quizzes are designed to motivate you to stay current with the readings and lectures, and to help you quickly gauge your mastery of the course concepts.

**Quiz Format:** Quizzes will be a mixture of multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, and short answer questions. Your lowest quiz score will be dropped and will not be figured into your final grade.

**Quiz Scheduling:** The 6 quizzes are unscheduled. There will be 2 quizzes before each of the 3 exams.

**Quiz Rules:** No make-ups will be given on quizzes without an excused absence.

### **All the course policies announced in Dr. Walden's syllabus apply to this recitation, including:**

- If you require certain accommodations because of a disability, please let me know by the end of the first week so that your learning needs may be appropriately met. You will need to provide documentation from Disability Services (Willard 322 / Tel: 303-492-8671 [www.colorado.edu/sacs/disabilityservices](http://www.colorado.edu/sacs/disabilityservices))
- If you have any schedule conflicts with final exams, other tests, due dates, or known absences let both your TA and instructor know by e-mail the end of the first week of class.
- We (the instructor, TA, and students) are expected to adhere to the behavior standards listed in the Rights and Responsibilities Regarding Standards of Conduct. The specific policy may be found at [www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html](http://www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html)
- Both students and faculty are expected to abide by the University's honor code. The specifics can be found at [www.colorado.edu/academics/honorcode](http://www.colorado.edu/academics/honorcode). Cheating and plagiarizing will result in a failing grade. Information on what constitutes these behaviors can be found in the honor code document if you have any questions.
- Sexual harassment will not be tolerated. Visit [www.colorado.edu/sexualharassment](http://www.colorado.edu/sexualharassment) or call the Office of Sexual harassment at 303-492-2127 for information about what sexual harassment is and to how to create a fair and safe educational environment.

**\*\* A Note About Office Hours:** I set aside these times to give students opportunities to discuss grades, readings, assignments, current events, or other topics related to the course. I find that students who speak to me during office hours earn significantly higher grades than those who don't.