SEXUALITY AND COLONIALISM

COURSE OBJECTIVES

This introductory course brings students into conversation with major debates, questions and situations of studies of sexuality and colonialism, coloniality and decoloniality. It is comprised of classical texts in the field as well as some of the most recent ones. The introductory section provides an overview of some main approaches, concepts and situations of the field. In a first section, the focus is on sexuality in colonial discourse, and in colonial practice by States, institutions, capitalist commercial interests, in juridical systems and in civil society. In a second section, we engage with the effects of colonialism today. Finally, the third and last section focusses on decolonial analytics and practices with special attention to gender and sexuality. The course is eight weeks long, for two credits.

GRADING

1. Class Participation, 25% of final grade.
2. Student Diary, 25% of final grade.
3. Review of a book or articles on sexuality and colonialism for a professional journal, 50% of final grade.

PROFESSOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION

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INTRODUCTION: SEXUALITY, COLONIALISM, COLONIALITIES

Class #1:

Introduction to each other and the course.

Land Acknowledgement.
Students will receive a copy of the syllabus. Explanation and discussion of the goals of the course, the syllabus, readings, and policies.

**Lecture by Professor:** Overview of kinds and analytics of sexuality. Overview of kinds and styles of colonialism. Overview of theoretical approaches to sexuality and colonialism.

**Reading:**


**Class #2:**


Discussion of how to do a book review or review of a set of articles, and presentation of some examples of professional journal formats to follow for the assignment.

**I. SEXUALITY IN COLONIAL DISCOURSE AND PRACTICE**

**Class #3:**


**Class #4:**


**Film:** Hollywood Harems
II. EFFECTS OF COLONIAL SEXUALITY AT PRESENT

Class #5:


Class #6:


III. RESISTANCE: DECOLONIZING SEXUALITY NOW

Class #7:


Class #8:


Concluding discussion of the course.