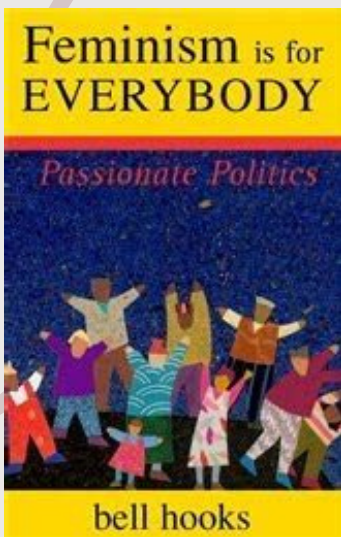


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Feminist Book Club

This year, XX is starting a new series where students and staff can feature their favorite feminist book in our monthly newsletter. This month, Megan Halavi recommends *Feminism Is for Everybody* by bell hooks.



Megan wanted to highlight this book in honor of the author, feminist, professor, and social activist bell hooks, who passed away on December 15th, 2021. *Feminism Is for Everybody* is a great starter book for budding feminists wanting to learn more about the theory of feminism rooted in common sense and experience. We honor the legacy that bell hooks has left that continues to live on through her work. If you want to submit a book recommendation, please email submissions to cshepar2@lion.lmu.edu!

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Department Updates

The Politics of Sex and Sexuality: a lecture series

The WGST department will be hosting Professor Dr. Lorna Bracewell, the first speaker in their semester-long lecture series on sex and sexuality on Tuesday, March 8 from 4-6 p.m. in Hannon Library 322. Dr. Bracewell is an assistant professor of political science at Flager College and author of the book *Why We Lost the Sex Wars*, which analyzes the feminist debates on pornography ethics as well as carceral responses to sexual injustice. Other speakers will follow later in the semester, including Dr. Joseph Fischel, theorist of social and sexual justice. More details to come.

Job talks: candidates apply for WGST assistant professor position

Four finalists, who have applied for a WGST assistant professor position, are set to give virtual job talks over the next few weeks. The first candidate, María Cellerí, will give a talk at 4:30 on January 25 that ties together decolonialist and indigenous feminist thinking with race, gender, and national monuments, focusing on Quito, Ecuador.

Following Cellerí is candidate Jasmine Wade, who will speak at 4:30 on January 27. Wade's work focuses on abolition and decolonization, and her talk is entitled "Generative Apocalypse: Calling for the End of the World in Afro and Indigenous Futurisms."

The third candidate is Ava Kim, who will present at 4:30 on February 3. Kim's scholarship focuses on the relationship between gender transition and national transition in many countries, including Vietnam, Argentina, Chile, and the Philippines. Najwa Mayer will be the final candidate, presenting at 4:30 on February 8. Mayer's specialty is in Islam, Islamophobia, and the pop-culture of "Muslim Americana."

“The soul of our politics is the commitment to ending domination.” - bell hooks, *Feminism is for Everybody*