

Feminist Phenomenology: The Body and the World

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CourseOutline:

I. Introduction:

Week One: What is Phenomenology?

Smith, David Woodruff, "Phenomenology", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Summer2018 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL =<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2018/entries/phenomenology/>.

Week Two: The Body

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Turner, B. S. (2012). Introduction: The turn of the body. In *Routledge handbook of body studies* (pp. 16-32). Routledge.

Week Three: The World

Landgrebe, L. (1940). The world as a phenomenological problem. *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 1(1), 38-58.

II. The Feminist Turn

Week Four: Issues and Concerns

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Week Five: Issues and Concerns II

Allen, J., & Young, I. M. (1989). Introduction. In *The thinking muse: Feminism and modern French philosophy* (1-18).

Week Six: Beauvoir reads Merleau-Ponty

Simone de Beauvoir, *The Second Sex*, trans. H.M. Parshley (New York: Vintage Books, 1949). (Chapter TBA)

Heinämaa, Sara. *Toward a phenomenology of sexual difference: Husserl, Merleau-Ponty, Beauvoir*. USA: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2003.

Week Seven: Binaries

Evans, M. (2012). Simone de Beauvoir and Binaries of the Body. In *Routledge Handbook of Body Studies* (pp. 34-46). Routledge.

Week Eight: The Other Side

Irigaray, L. (2020). 6. *The Looking Glass, from the Other Side* (pp. 123-136). Columbia University Press.

III. Queer Embodiment, Technology, and Race**Week Nine: A Critique of the Hetero-Phenomenological Experience of the Body**

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Week Ten: Post Transsexuality

Haraway, D. (2006). A cyborg manifesto: Science, technology, and socialist-feminism in the late 20th century. In *The international handbook of virtual learning environments* (pp. 117-158). Springer, Dordrecht.

Stone, S. (2013). *The empire strikes back: A posttranssexual manifesto* (pp. 237-251). Routledge.

Week 11: Racialised Bodies

Ahmed, S. (2013). *Strange encounters: Embodied others in post-coloniality*. Routledge. (Chapters TBA)

Alcoff, L. M. (1999). Towards a phenomenology of racial embodiment. *Radical philosophy*, (95), 15-26.

- Craig, M. L. (2012). Racialized bodies. In *Routledge handbook of body studies* (pp. 328-338). Routledge.
- Weiss, G. (2015). The normal, the natural, and the normative: A Merleau-Pontian legacy to feminist theory, critical race theory, and disability studies. *Continental Philosophy Review*, 48(1), 77-93.

Week 12: Concluding Remarks