

Call for Part Time Lecturer Applications
Northeastern University
Africana Studies and Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Programs
Spring 2022 Undergraduate Course

The Northeastern University Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program seeks a part-time lecturer for Spring 2022 to teach our interdisciplinary undergraduate course in Gender, Race, and Medicine. This popular lower-level elective course will be taught in person on Northeastern's Boston campus and is crosslisted with African American Studies; Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies; and History. The ideal candidate will have a background in one or more of these fields and will have a demonstrated commitment to interdisciplinary instruction. Preference will be given to candidates with a PhD in one of these fields (or a closely allied field), but we will also consider candidates with interdisciplinary teaching experience who are ABD in a relevant discipline. We are offering a competitive adjunct salary for this position.

The course asks students to question what they "know" about science and the scientific process. Students will problematize "scientific objectivity" and probe foundational scientific ideas about race, sex, and gender while simultaneously examining what these basic tenets have meant for marginalized groups in society, particularly when seeking medical care. Students will engage feminist science theories that range from explorations of the linguistic metaphors of the immune system, the medicalization of race, to critiques of the sexual binary. The course looks at contemporary as well as historical moments to investigate the evolution of "scientific truth" and its impact on the U.S. cultural landscape. Using the unique lens of feminist theory, students will revisit their disciplinary training as a site for critical analysis. Goals of the course include: determining the validity of scientific claims based on evidence, not opinion; recognizing societal and cultural influence on "biological" behavior; grasping basic women's studies concepts such as intersectionality and standpoint theory; and exploring race, class, and gender's impact on medicine throughout history.

Interested candidates should apply here: <https://careers.hrm.northeastern.edu/cw/en-us/job/503278?l=ApplicationSubSourceID>. Applications will be open until the position is filled. If there are any questions about the course or the application process, potential applicants may reach out directly to wgss@northeastern.edu.

About the Africana Studies Program:

The Africana Studies program is an interdisciplinary program with a mission of teaching and conducting research in social sciences and humanities fields on the historical and contemporary experiences across the global African Diaspora. <https://cssh.northeastern.edu/africana/>

About the WGSS Program:

The WGSS Program at Northeastern University generates and communicates knowledge about the ways in which gender, sexuality, and related categories of identity are shaped by culture and society. We are the home of Signs: Journal of Women in Culture & Society.

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