

# VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN: THEORY, ISSUES AND PREVENTION

Spring 2007

## CLASS OUTLINE

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**4 units, Tues & Thurs: 3:15-4:45, 1 hour section TBD, Location: CDC 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

Description: Violence against women issues explored from an interdisciplinary, feminist perspective. This course examines the root causes of abuse, addresses the multi leveled approaches to ending violence against women and explores the relationship between violence against women and other forms of oppression: racism, economic exploitation, heterosexism and social class. Framework addresses the institutional barriers that maintain violence against women in our culture, and how solutions must also address individual, community, political, legal, national and global dimensions. Students from every discipline, women and men, are encouraged to become allies in this effort and will apply theoretical perspectives to educational campus service learning projects.

**Tuesday April 3, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Introduction to the course and class overview: Violence against women as a human rights issue: the intersection of oppression and violence**

Film: *Amnesty International Stop Violence Against Women* (15 min.)

**Reading:**

Best, M., & Nelson D. (1999). *Organizing College Campuses Against Dating Abuse*.  
VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

**Thursday April 5, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Understanding the problem: Interpersonal and Institutional Tactics of Power and Control**

**Reading:**

Bancroft, L. (2005). *Why Does He Do That: Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*.  
Chapter 5: How Abuse Begins, Chapter 6 The Abusive Man in Everyday Life, Chapter 7:  
Abusive Men and Sex, Chapter 9: The Abusive Man and Breaking Up.

Falcon, S.(2006) "National Security" and the Violation of Women: Militarized Border Rape at the US-Mexico Border. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 14). South End Press.

Fregoso, R.L.(2006) The Complexities of "Femicide" on the Border, *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 15). South End Press

Allard, P.(2006) Crime, Punishment, and Economic Violence. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 18). South End Press

Nosek, M. & Howland, C. (1998). *Abuse and Women with Disabilities*. VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

**Tuesday April 10, 2007**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

### **Heterosexism and Same Sex Relationship Abuse**

#### **Reading:**

Allen, C. & Leventhal, B. (1999). History, Culture, and Identity: What makes GLBT Battering Different. *Same-Sex Domestic Violence*. Ed. B. Leventhal & S.E. Lundy. (Chapter 7). Sage Publications.

Kanuha, V. (1990, 2006). Compounding the Triple Jeopardy: Battering in lesbian of color relationships. *Domestic Violence at the Margins*

minahal, maiana (2006) poem on trying to love without fear. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 23). South End Press

Raising Our Voices: Queer Asian Women's Responses to Relationship Violence. Retrieved from <http://www.endabuse.org/programs/immigrant/files/RaisingVoices.pdf>

hooks, b. (1998) *Talking Back: Thinking Feminist, Thinking Black*. Chapter 17: homophobia in black communities pp. 120-126. South End Press.

#### Handouts:

Burk, C. Think, Re-Think: Domestic Violence in Lesbian, Bisexual and Trans Relationships.

NW Network-Asherah, K.L. The Myth of Mutual Abuse

NW Network- Some thoughts on the Myth of Mutual Abuse

[www.nwnetwork.com](http://www.nwnetwork.com) article

**Thursday April 12, 2007**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

### **Feminist Theories About Sexual Violence**

#### **Reading:**

Anderson, K. (2004). *Only Men Can Stop Rape*. Off Our Backs.

West, C. M. & Johnson, J. (2006). *Sexual Violence in the Lives of African American Women: Risk, Response, and Resilience*. VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

Hamby, S. (2004). *Sexual Victimization in Indian Country: Barriers and Resources for Native Women Seeking Help*. VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

Elman, R.A. (2005). *Confronting the Sexual Abuse of Women with Disabilities*. VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

**Tuesday April 17, 2007**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Integrating Theory Into Practice: Research project/methods, needs assessment, focus groups & surveying**

**Reading:**

Sista II Sista.(2006) Sistas Makin' Moves: Collective Leadership for Personal Transformation and Social Justice. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 23). South End Press

Belknap, J. et al. (1999). *The Development of a Comprehensive Measure of the Sexual Victimization of College Women*. Violence Against Women.

Promoting Safety and Nonviolence on College and University Campuses. (2001). *Toolkit To End Violence Against Women*. (Chapter 7). Violence Against Women Office. Retrieved from [http://toolkit.ncjrs.org/vawo\\_7.html](http://toolkit.ncjrs.org/vawo_7.html)

Puneet Kaur Chawla Sahota.(2006) "The Personal is the Private is the Cultural": South Asian Women Organizing Against Domestic Violence. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 23). South End Press

Simon, J. S. (1999) "How to Conduct a Focus Group."

**Thursday April 19, 2007**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Feminist Theories of Masculinity and Violence**

Film: "Tough Guise"

**Reading:**

Bancroft, L. (2005). *Why Does He Do That: Inside The Minds Of Angry And Controlling Men*. Chapter 13: The Making of An Abusive Man.

Katz, J. (2006). *The Macho Paradox: Why Some Men Hurt Women and How All Men Can Help*. Chapter 10: Guilty Pleasures: Pornography, Prostitution & Stripping., p.181

hooks, b. (1998) violence in intimate relationship: a feminist perspective. *Talking Back: Thinking Feminist, Thinking Black*. Chapter 12: pp. 84-91. South End Press.

**Tuesday April 24, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Feminist Theories of Masculinity and Violence Part II**

Film: Beyond Beats and Rhymes

hooks, b. (1988) feminist focus on men: a comment. *Talking Back: Thinking Feminist, Thinking Black*. Chapter 18: pp. 127-133. South End Press.

**Thursday April 26, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**(5:30PM INCITE! Women of Color Against Violence Andrea Smith & 9PM: Take Back the Night)**

**Transnational Perspectives on Violence**

Sokoloff, N. (2005) Domestic Violence: Examining the Intersections of Race, Class, and Gender- An Introduction. *Domestic Violence at the Margins: Readings on Race, Class, Gender, and Culture*. Ed. N.J. Sokoloff, Rutgers University Press.

Tiede, L.B. (2006). *Understanding the Role of Culture in Domestic Violence: The Ahimsa Project for Safe Families*.

Fortune, Rev. Dr. M. & Enger, R. C. (2005). *Violence Against Women and the Role of Religion*. VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

Tiede, L.B. (2001). Battered Immigrant Women and Immigration Remedies: Are the Standards Too High? *Human Rights: Journal of the Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities*. 28(1): 21-22.

Richie, B.E. (2005). A Black Feminist Reflection on the Antiviolence Movement. *Domestic Violence at the Margins: Readings on Race, Class, Gender, and Culture*. Ed. N.J. Sokoloff, Rutgers University Press.

Rojas Durazo, A.C.(2006) The Medicalization of Domestic Violence. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 23). South End Press

*Optional:*

Katz, J. *The Macho Paradox: Why Some Men Hurt Women and How All Men Can Help*. Chapter 8: Race and Culture

**Tuesday May 1, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

## **Understanding the problem: Feminist Theories of Relationship Abuse**

### **Reading:**

*Evolution of Theories of Violence*. (2003). Stop Violence Against Women. Retrieved from <http://www.stopvaw.org>

Bancroft, L. (2005). *Why Does He Do That: Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*. Chapter 2: The Mythology, Chapter 3: The Abusive Mentality, Chapter 4: The Types of Abusive Men, pp.21-105.

Hamby, S.L. (2005) The Importance of Community in a Feminist Analysis of Domestic Violence among Native Americans. *Domestic Violence at the Margins: Readings on Race, Class, Gender, and Culture*. Ed. N.J. Sokoloff, (Chapter12, pp. 174-193). Rutgers University Press.

Katz, J. (2006). *The Macho Paradox: Why Some Men Hurt Women and How All Men Can Help*. Chapter 9: It Takes a Village to Rape a Woman

### *Optional:*

Davies, J. (1998). *Safety Planning with Battered Women: Complex Lives/Difficult Choices*. Chapters 6 & 7, pp. 93 – 128.

Boeringer, S. B. (1999). *Associations of Rape-Supportive Attitudes With Fraternal and Athletic Participation*.

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## **Systemic Re-victimization of Children in the Context of Domestic Violence (45 min)**

### **Reading:**

Bancroft, L. (2005). *Why Does he Do That? Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*. Chapter 10: Abusive Men As Parents.

Schechter.S & Edleson, J. (1999). *Effective Intervention In Domestic Violence & Child Maltreatment Cases: Guidelines for Policy and Practice*.

Sullivan, C.M., Nguyen, H., Allen, N., Bybee, D., & Juras, J. (2002). Beyond Searching for Deficits: Evidence that Physically and Emotionally Abused Women Are Nurturing Parents. *Journal of Emotional Abuse*, 2(1), pp. 51-67.

Roberts, D.. Feminism, Race, and Adoption Policy. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 4). South End Press.

## **Teens & College Students (45 min)**

**Reading:**

Hong, L. (2000). Toward a Transformed Approach to Prevention: Breaking the Link Between Masculinity and Violence. *Journal of American College Health*, pp. 48, 269-279.

Levy, Barrie and Lobel, Kerry (1998), Lesbian Teens in Abusive Relationships. In *Dating Violence*, Levy, Barrie, pp. 203-208.

**Additional articles:** to be distributed in class

**Tuesday May 8, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**READING JOURNAL DUE**

**ASSIGNMENT: SAFETY PLAN EXERCISE: DUE FEB 20**

**Community Organizing: Helping Friends/Peers & Woman Defined Safety Planning****Reading:**

Bancroft, L. (2005). *Why Does He Do That: Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*. Chapter 11: Abusive Men and Their Allies

Jackson, S. (2002). Abuse in Dating Relationships: Young People's Accounts of Disclosure, Non-disclosure, Help-seeking and Prevention Education. *New Zealand Journal of Psychology*, 31(2), 79-85.

Sable et al. (2006). Barriers to Reporting Sexual Assault for Women and Men: Perspectives of College Students. *Journal of American College Health* 55(3).

Koyama, E. Disloyal to Feminism: Abuse of Survivors with the Domestic Violence Shelter System. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 24). South End Press.

**Thursday May 10, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**LITERATURE REVIEW DUE****Tensions with the Criminal Justice System**

**Film:** Defending our lives

Bancroft, L. (2005). *Why Does He Do That: Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*. Chapter 12: The Abusive Man and the Legal System.

Saucedo, R. (2006) INS Raids and How Immigrant Women are Fighting Back. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 16). South End Press

Ritchie, A.J.(2006) Law Enforcement Violence Against Women of Color. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 17). South End Press

Hart, B. (1993). Battered Women and the Criminal Justice System. *American Behavioral Scientist*, 36 (5), 19-22.

*Ariella Hyman for the Family Violence Prevention Fund* (1997) Mandatory Reporting of Domestic Violence by Health Care Providers: A Policy Paper.

Shetty, Sudha & Kaguyutan, J. (2002). *Immigrant Victims of Domestic Violence: Cultural Challenges and Available Legal Protections* VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

*Optional:*

Roberts, A. & Kurst-Swanger, K. (2002). Police Responses to Battered Women. In Roberts, A. (Ed.). *Handbook of Domestic Violence Intervention Strategies: Policies, Programs, and Legal Remedies*. (Chapter 6, pp. 101-126). Oxford University Press.

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### **Community Accountability**

Bancroft, L. (2005). *Why Does He Do That: Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*. Chapter 14: The Process of Change, Chapter 15: Creating An Abusive Free World?

Wilson, K.J. (2006). *When Violence Begins at Home*. Hunter House Publishers. Chapter 16: Intervention and Prevention Programs for Batterers.

CARA. (2006) Taking Risks: Implementing Grassroots Community Accountability Strategies, by Communities Against Rape and Abuse. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 29). South End Press

*Keeping the Promise: Victim Safety and Batterer Accountability*. (2005, June). Task Force on Local Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence. Report to the California Attorney General.

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### **SAFETY PLAN DUE**

### **The Anti-Feminist Backlash: Gender Neutralization**

**Reading:**

Saunders, D. (1988). Wife Abuse, Husband Abuse, or Mutual Combat?" In Yllo, K & Bograd, M. *Feminist Perspectives on Wife Abuse* (Chapter 4, pp. 90 – 110). Sage Publications.

Minaker, J. & Snider, L. (2006). Husband Abuse: Equality with a Vengeance? *Canadian journal of criminology and criminal justice*, 48, 5

Belknap, J. & Melton, H. (2005). *Are Heterosexual Men Also Victims of Intimate Partner Abuse?* VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

Dekeseredy, W. & Schwartz, M. (1998). Measuring the Extent of Woman Abuse in Intimate Heterosexual Relationships: A Critique of the Conflict Tactics Scales.

Garrett, S. (2003). Battered by Equality: Could Minnesota's Domestic Violence Statutes Survive a "Fathers' Rights" Assault? *Law and Inequality*

Katz, J.(2006). *The Macho Paradox: Why Some Men Hurt Women and How All Men Can Help.* Chapter 6: Stuck in (Gender) Neutral

Pence.E (2004) Re-Examining 'Battering': Are All Acts Of Violence Against Intimate Partners The Same?

**Tuesday May 22, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

### **Anti-Violence Movement Building**

#### **Reading:**

Wolfe, D. A.& Jaffe, P. G. (2003). *Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.* VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women.

Smith, A. (2005) Looking to the Future: Domestic Violence, Women of Color, the State, and Social Change. *Domestic Violence at the Margins: Readings on Race, Class, Gender, and Culture.* Ed. N.J. Sokoloff, (Chapter24, pp. 416-434). Rutgers University Press.

West, T.(2006) An Antiracist Christian Ethical Approach to Violence Resistance. *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology.* Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 23). South End Press

**Additional articles:** to be distributed in class

**Thursday May 24, 2007**

**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

### **Language & Violence (45 minutes)**

**Reading:** to be distributed in class

### **Marketing (45 minutes)**

#### **Reading:**

Fabiano et. al. (2003). Engaging Men as Social Justice Allies in Ending Violence Against Women: Evidence for a Social Norms Approach. *Journal of American College Health.* v52.3



**Tuesday May 29, 2007**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Media Violence & Media Justice: A Critical Analysis (45 min)**

**Reading:**

Simmons, A.(2006) The War Against Black Women, and the Making of NO! *Color of Violence: The Incite! Anthology*. Ed. A. Smith, B. Richie, J. Sudbury, (Chapter 23). South End Press

**Additional handouts:** to be distributed in class in class.

**Challenging Victim Blaming (45 min)**

**Reading:** To be distributed in class

**Thursday May 31, 2007**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Presentations: Frequently Asked Questions: Your Responses**

**Tuesday June 5, 2007**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Movement In Practice: Challenges, Successes and Self-Care**

Wilson, K.J. (2005). *When Violence Begins At Home*. Chapter 15: Loving Ourselves: Self-Care for Helpers. Hunter House Publications.

**Thursday June 7, 2007 LAST CLASS**  
**3:15 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Final Project Presentations**

**Date TBD INTERN RETREAT 2 hours**

**Skill building: violence prevention project, facilitation skills, sustainability, and evaluation.**

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