

in the caribbean A mini-course

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WOMEN'S STUDIES 112:

WOMEN OF COLOR IN THE CARIBBEAN

1 credit

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Tuesdays, 4 - 6 p.m., beginning March 1, 1988

In this Women of Color mini-course, the focus will be on Afro-Caribbean women, using the English-speaking Caribbean as the main point of reference. The course is also designed to encompass a wider comparative perspective. In that regard, the experiences of other women of color in the Americas - Asian-Caribbean, Afro-American, Latin American - will be considered in the discussions.

We will be looking specifically at how Caribbean women's work and family roles were formed in slavery and colonial society, and what the impact of modern conditions on those roles has been. Also, what forms of resistance have Caribbean women used to counter combined national, class and gender oppression? Discussions are expected to be lively and informal and to encourage a comparative way of thinking about women's oppression and women's struggles. Students will be required to produce a research paper/project.