

Course Number

EGL-317-01

Course Description

Queer is a complicated term with a long, often fraught history. For the most part, it has been more recently adopted to invoke genders and sexualities that lie outside traditional, 'normative' constellations, though critics of the term often focus on its problematic all-encompassing use as a synonym for gay and lesbian, its popular co-optability, and its potential prioritization of one facet of identity at the expense of others. This seminar will interrogate queer theory and queer studies as fields of interdisciplinarity. We will pay particular attention to questions of desire, identity, citizenship, bodies, pleasure, and the construction of gender and sex. We will also examine the relationships between queerness and race, class, material conditions, age, able-bodiedness, and community formation. Throughout our term we will read groundbreaking theoretical and historical works and also examine relevant literature, film, television, and popular culture.

Academic Term

22/FA

Instructor

Mitchell, Jennifer

Location & Meeting Time

Integrated Science & Engineering Complex-187+ T/TH 01:55PM-03:40PM LEC

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Credits

1.00

Capacity

15

Total Students

12

Additional Information

<http://www.union.edu/English>

Common Curriculum

HUL

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Interdisciplinary Programs

Gender/Sexuality/Women's St

Academic Department

English

Field Of Study

English (EGL)