



### A Word from the Chair of GWS



Hello to all our students/alumni/staff/faculty in Gender and Women's Studies. It has been a busy, but productive, fall. Please join me in thanking Dr. Jenny Roth for her many years of service as she bids us goodbye and embarks upon her retirement. Enjoy your new freedom Jenny!!!!

Students, don't be shy about coming to see me. Now is the time to do degree audits and talk to me to confirm that you are on track with program requirements. Wishing everyone a very successful exam period/end of term and happy holidays/enjoy the break. Be sure to check out courses for next term (details below). There is still some room in our second and third year classes.

### Upcoming Courses!

Course	Title	Instructor	Delivery	Time	Dates
WOME-1100-SDE	Gender and Women's Studies	TBA	Online (Web)	n/a	May 1st - July 28th, 2025
WOME-3115-WA	Food, Gender, and Health	Dr. B. Parker	In Person	2:30PM - 4:00PM	T Th January 6 - April 4, 2025
WOME-4011-WA/ WOME-5010-WA	Food Security in Rural/Northern Communities*	Dr. B. Parker	In Person	2:30PM - 5:30PM	W January 6 - April 4, 2025
WOME-4110	TBA	TBA	Online (Zoom)	TBA	Spring /Summer term 2025

\*This course will explore the social and critical dimensions of food [In]security and social inequality. Using intersectional theory as our starting point, we will examine how the structures of gender, race, and class among other axes of social positionality intersect to impact and effect access to food and knowledge(s) about food. We will explore food systems, food sovereignty, Indigenous food sovereignty, food charity or emergency food responses, food banks and food programming.

## Retirement Message from Dr. Jen Roth, Prof. Emeritus



After 2 years at McMaster University, and almost 20 years at LU, I am moving on to new projects. Over my years here, I've worked to strengthen LU and our Department in my various roles as the Graduate Coordinator, Department Chair, Assistant Dean to the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, and Senate Committees. I've been recognized with awards for teaching, research, and service, and most years I've loved all parts of my job thanks to my great colleagues, stimulating classes, and love for my research in law and literature, feminist cultural studies, and fandoms. I wish all GWS students the very best in your endeavours!

All my very best,  
Jenny

## New Instructors of 2025



Christine Hughes



Angela Gollat



Mohit Dudeja

## Greetings from the GWS Graduate Coordinator

Attention 3rd and 4th year undergraduate students! Are you thinking about applying to grad school? The department of Gender & Women's Studies offers a Specialization that can be combined with a degree in Education, English, Psychology, Social Justice Studies, Social Work or Sociology. The GWS Specialization is ideal for students who are interested in pursuing feminist research, or work opportunities. A graduate degree with a Specialization in Gender & Women's Studies prepares students to work in the fields of advocacy, research, policy, governance, international development, and many more. Graduates from the program have gone to law school, PhD programs, and other post-graduate certifications. Applications for 2025/2026 are now open! To be considered for funding, the **deadline to apply is February 1st, 2025** - mark your calendars!

If you are interested in learning more about the GWS Specialization, please reach out to Dr. Jen Chisholm, Graduate Program Coordinator: [jen.chisholm@lakeheadu.ca](mailto:jen.chisholm@lakeheadu.ca) – I would love to hear from you!



### Gentle Reminder...

Are you a current graduate student specializing in Gender and Women's Studies? Make sure you complete your program requirements form and return it to the Graduate Program Coordinator! The form can be found here ([Program Requirement Form](#)).

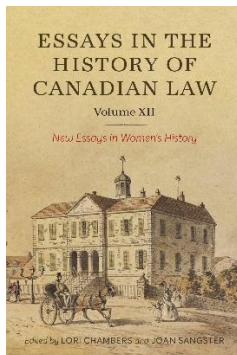
<b>Program Stream</b>	<b>Deadline</b> (for when you must submit your form to GWS)
Course	Early April in the second year of your program
Portfolio, Projects, Thesis and Creative Projects	May 1 <sup>st</sup> in the first year of your program
Practicum	May 1 <sup>st</sup> in the first year of your program

## A Word from our Alums



Kasey Egan (she/they) is a Lakehead Alumna, holding a HBA in Gender & Women's Studies, as well as an MA in Social Justice Studies with a specialization in Gender & Women's Studies. She is currently a PhD Candidate (ABD) at Western University in the department of Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies. She is a sessional instructor at the University of the Fraser Valley in the School of Culture, Media, and Society. Her research focus is on sexual and gender-based violence at universities in Canada and how institutions can implement intervention, prevention, and education and training efforts which are survivor-centered, holistic, and include EDIDJ practices. Kasey has worked previously at the Gender Equity Centre as the Coordinator for the Lakehead University Student Union (2019-2021), and she is currently the Case Coordinator for Sexual and Gender-Based Violence with the Office of Human Rights and Equity for Lakehead University. Kasey credits her time at Lakehead, and especially the GWS program for helping her develop the foundational feminist praxis she uses in her work and research.

## Dr. Chambers receives Honourable Mention



Congratulations to Dr. Chambers! Her *Essays in the History of Canadian Law, Volume XII, New Essays in Women's History* has been attributed an honorable mention in the *Ouvrage collectif* category for the year 2024! *Fondation Barreau du Québec* has announced the great news to Dr. Chambers on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Montréal, le 10 octobre 2024

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**Objet : Félicitations pour une mention honorable dans la catégorie « Ouvrage collectif »  
2024**

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Lori Chambers,  
Joan Sangster,

Nous avons le plaisir de vous annoncer que le comité d'évaluation des ouvrages collectifs, présidé par l'honorable Jocelyn F. Rancourt, a déposé ses recommandations au conseil d'administration de la Fondation du Barreau du Québec, qui les a entérinées lors de sa séance du 25 septembre 2024.

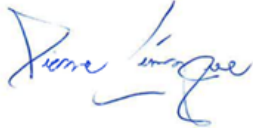
À l'issue de ce processus d'analyse rigoureuse et de sélection des candidatures, nous sommes ravis de vous informer que votre ouvrage intitulé « **Essays in the History of Canadian Law, Volume XII, New Essays in Women's History** » s'est démarqué et se verra attribuer une mention honorable dans la catégorie « Ouvrage collectif » pour l'année 2024. En reconnaissance de l'excellence de votre travail, vous recevrez prochainement une statuette qui fera mention de cette mention honorable.

Les membres du comité ont apprécié votre ouvrage pour sa narration captivante, sa fluidité et la rigueur de ses textes, qui se lisent presque comme un roman. La coordination, la recherche approfondie et l'analyse historique et juridique sont également saluées. L'ouvrage explore les expériences des femmes dans le système juridique canadien avec un éclairage informatif et une approche féministe, sans être militant. L'ouvrage a donc plus à tous les membres et s'est distingué par une rétrospective féministe très intéressante.

Conformément à la tradition, les lauréat.e.s du concours juridique sont invité.e.s à présenter leurs travaux lors d'une formation offerte gracieusement aux Gouverneurs de la Fondation et lors d'un midi webconférence de la Fondation. Nous vous contacterons prochainement pour vous fournir plus d'informations à ce sujet.

**La Fondation tient à vous féliciter chaleureusement pour cet accomplissement remarquable.** Nous vous souhaitons une excellente continuation dans la réalisation de vos projets.

Veillez agréer, Lori Chambers et Joan Sangster, l'expression de nos salutations distinguées.



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**Me Pierre Lévesque**

Président du conseil d'administration



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**Me Anne-Marie Poitras**

Cheffe de la direction

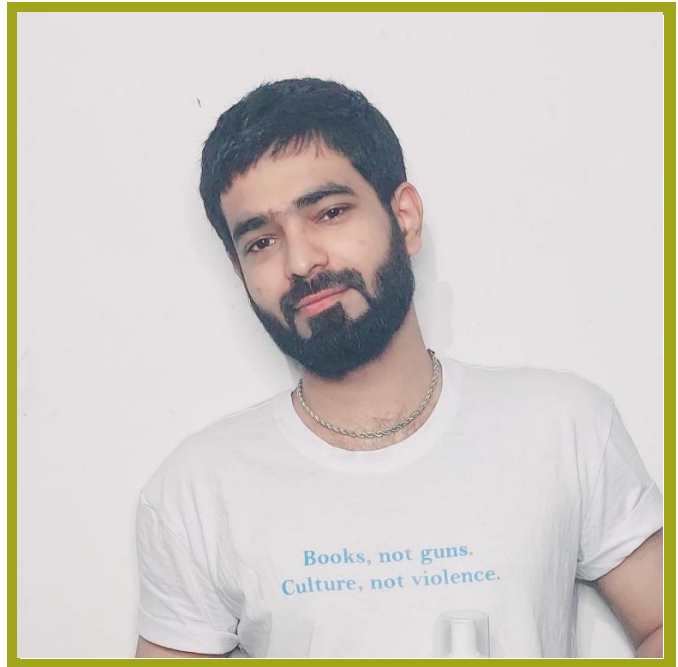
# Upcoming Events!

GWS Lunch & Learn (free event)

*Date: January 2025 (more details to come)*

## **Title: Out in the World: Queer Journeys of International Students in Canada's Small Cities**

Mohit's talk is a call for awareness, activism, and solidarity. They will present their ongoing doctoral studies on the experiences of queer international students in small Canadian cities, while also sharing some of their personal experiences as a queer international student in Thunder Bay, navigating intersecting identities such as being a person of color. Queer students often face distinct challenges at the intersections of identity, culture, and belonging, especially in places that may lack strong LGBTQ+ communities or resources. In their talk, Mohit will discuss how these experiences shape queer students' sense of identity, well-being, and community involvement, drawing from their recently published article, *Transglobal Queer Identities*, and other insights from their ongoing doctoral work.



## **GWS' Annual Feminisms at the Lakehead Event: Global Feminist Networks**

*Date and further details to come so stay tuned!*

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