FEMINIST WRITINGS

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TYPE OF COURSE : Rerun | Elective | UG/PG
COURSE DURATION : 12 weeks (26 Jul' 21 - 15 Oct' 21)
EXAM DATE : 23 Oct 2021

PRE-REQUISITES : B.A in English or Cultural Studies
INTENDED AUDIENCE : Students pursuing B.A and M.A in English or Cultural Studies
INDUSTRIES APPLICABLE TO : N/A

COURSE OUTLINE :
This course seeks to study some of the key texts in feminist writings that engage with issues such as patriarchy, violence, embodiment, agency and identity. Through a careful study of selected fiction and non-fiction, the course aims to offer a complex understanding of gender and representation, drawing on literary as well as cultural studies.

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR :
Dr Avishek Parui is Assistant Professor in English at IIT Madras and Associate Fellow of the UK Higher Education Academy. He researches and supervises PhDs on medical humanities, masculinity studies, narrative studies, memory studies and postmodernism. His recent book Postmodern Literatures, has been published by Orient Blackswan.

COURSE PLAN :
Week 1 : Introduction; Understanding Patriarchy
Week 2 : Understanding Patriarchy; Cyborg Manifesto
Week 3 : Understanding Patriarchy; Cyborg Manifesto
Week 4 : The Fly; Tickets, Please!
Week 5 : Tickets, Please! ; The Goblin Market
Week 6 : The Goblin Market; The Second Sex
Week 7 : The Second Sex; Tulips
Week 8 : Tulips; The Yellow Wallpaper
Week 9 : The Yellow Wallpaper; The Iraqi Nights
Week 10 : The Iraqi Nights; Gender Trouble
Week 11 : Gender Trouble; Remains of the Feast
Week 12 : Remains of the Feast; A Temporary Matter