



## HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES



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**TYPE OF COURSE** : Rerun | Elective | UG/PG

**COURSE DURATION** : 12 weeks (20 Jul'20 - 09 Oct'20)

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** : B.A and M.A

**EXAM DATE** : 17 Oct 2020

**PRE-REQUISITES** : B.A in English or Cultural Studies

### **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 01** : Introduction; Understanding Patriarchy
- Week 02** : Understanding Patriarchy; Cyborg Manifesto
- Week 03** : Cyborg Manifesto; The Fly
- Week 04** : The Fly; Tickets, Please!
- Week 05** : Tickets, Please! ; The Goblin Market
- Week 06** : The Goblin Market; The Second Sex
- Week 07** : The Second Sex; Tulips
- Week 08** : Tulips; The Yellow Wallpaper
- Week 09** : 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