

**University of Mumbai**  
**Revised Syllabus for SYBA (Applied Component)**  
**Women's Studies**

Subject Codes: UAWS3A1 AND UAWS4A1

(To be implemented from 2012-13)

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### Semester I

**Unit 1:** The Scope and practice of Women's Studies

The importance Women's Studies, Perspectives, Problems of using mainstream methodology, Search for new materials and new methodology, the practice of Women's Studies as a discipline in India

**Unit 2:** Types of Feminism: Liberal, Marxist, Radical, Psychological

**Unit 3:** Women's Movement in the world

**Unit 4:** Women and Law

Historical and contemporary overview: Demographic, Social, cultural, Economic and Political,

State Policies and women, Indian Constitution and women, Property, inheritance, divorce, dowry, Rape

Internal Evaluation: 40 Marks

**A) Internal Assessment – 40%**

**40 Marks**

Sr.No.	Particulars	Marks
1	One class test to be conducted in the given semester	20 Marks
2	One assignment based on curriculum to be assessed by the teacher concerned	10 Marks
3	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries	05 Marks
4	Overall conduct as a responsible student, manners and articulation and exhibition of leadership qualities in organizing related academic activities	05 Marks

## Semester II

### Unit 1: women and work

Concept of work with reference to women, definition and valuation of productive/unproductive work, visible/invisible work, paid/unpaid work, socially productive work, concept and measurement of women-work,

Women's work: problem of valuation, Government's efforts in India, legislation towards better working conditions for women

### Unit 2: Types of feminism: Eco-feminism, Postcolonial feminism, Postmodernist feminism

### Unit 3: Women's movement in India and Maharashtra

Liberal reforms-Colonization and impact of British Rule

Women's role in independence movement- Impact of Gandhism

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Dalit Movement

Anti-price movement in the late sixties

Women's Decade-1975 and after, voluntary organizations, a brief survey of the movement towards sensitization, consciousness raising and empowerment.

### Unit 4: Women and media

Women in media

Images of women in Literature, films, theatre, Television, advertisements etc.

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**Following methods can be used for the tests and assignment (30 Marks)**

Project on women and work

A research paper and/or presentation on images of women in media

Critique of a literary text from feminist perspective

A research paper on approaches to women's writing

Women's health problems and bioethics

**B) Semester End Examination Pattern for Semester I and II each  
(60 Marks each semester)**

Question 1: Essay on Unit 1(two out of three) : 15 Marks

Question 2: Essay on Unit 2 (one out of two) : 15 Marks

Question 3: Essay on Unit 3 (one out of two) : 15 Marks

Question 4: Unit 4 –(two out of three) : 15Marks