

**Global Feminisms: History, Theory, and Praxis**  
**Minor Field Rationale**  
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The works assembled in my Global Feminisms minor field exam bibliography emphasize the variety of feminist philosophies in modern world history and the overlapping nature of feminism, social justice, local activism, and global development. Texts introducing historical and contemporary feminist theories establish an ideological framework off of which the other themes in my exam list build. Books outlining the development of a global women's movement emphasize the intersections between social reform and the women's movement, indicating the well-established and essential relations between gender rights and social justice. Global initiatives advocating women's rights and social welfare challenge existing assumptions of Western-centered feminism. Theorists of third-world feminisms prove the uniqueness and plurality of feminism in previously colonized countries, evidencing the agency of women worldwide. Finally, case studies, memoirs, and experiences of local activist strategies emphasize the effectiveness of empowering women to make positive changes within their own communities. Combined, the books included in this exam field list challenge monolithic and Western-centered feminism by illustrating the expanse of feminist influence in global history.

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