

WOMEN NOW

Fem studies initiated

"It's about time," says Betty Friedman, the feminist, "we studied herstory instead of history."

A growing number of American colleges and universities will be doing just that this fall, offering a wide range of courses on female studies.

From San Diego State, one of the first with a woman's studies program, to small Midwestern colleges that offer one course on women's history, the subject of women has become a part of the curriculum.

College directors give credit to cooperation among students, faculty and women's liberation groups in organizing many of the courses that are the latest innovation since black studies made the college scene.

"The university must deal with current issues and problems," says Dr. Warren Carrier, dean of Arts and Letters at San Diego State University. "Sex discrimination and related issues are certainly a proper area of study today."

San Diego's program has 10

courses, including topics for study like "The Status of Women," "Human Sexuality," and "Self-actualization of Women."

Most of the courses that will be available at almost 100 colleges will be for the full credit leading to degrees, though several colleges also plan noncredit seminars.

A sampling of campuses throughout the country indicates these courses available on women:

Among women's colleges: Bryn Mawr will feature Kate Millet, author of the new best seller, "Sexual Politics," teaching one class a week on a historical and social survey of the role of women.

Radcliffe College will feature several courses including one on women's changing role in society.

Among the coed colleges: Cornell University, which started its course on women last year, plans to continue it again this year after enthusiastic response from male and female students.

University of California at Los

Coeds nix midi fashions

"Just because some little queer in New York wants to buy perfume and flowered ties, I'm not going to support him by buying his midi dresses."

This is one comment a woman on campus made when asked, "Do you intend to wear mid-length fashions if they become increasingly popular?"

The coeds and staff members questioned about the midcalf length styles were opposed 4 to 1 to the latest fall innovation of fashion designers.

"I think they look horrible," says Claudia Lasiter, junior business major from Palestine. "I never wore minis when they were popular so I won't wear midis either."

Karen Drummond, secretary in the Agriculture Economics Department, comments, "I'm not about to line up with the whims of some distant fashion designer in New York or Paris. The women who do this are sheep and nothing more."

"Of course my husband's opinion is the deciding factor on what I wear and he doesn't like them."

"They're not feminine, and that's the name of the game, isn't it? Attraction."

"I'd wear them only if every other girl on campus did," says Susan Cummings, freshman in Sociology. "That might solve the problem of walking up a flight of stairs with a short skirt and a thousand boys staring."

A junior pre-med coed comments, "Sure I'll wear them — if they're permanent press."

As a whole, the women thought the midi fashion impractical for Texas weather and also uncomfortable for walking across a crowded campus.

"I tried one on," states Sheila Bath, freshman Plant and Soil Sciences major, "and I didn't like it. It was uncomfortable and extremely hard to walk in."

"But if styles go that way," she adds, "then I will probably wear them."

Aggie wives, coeds to begin fall bridge meetings tonight

The first meeting of the Aggie Wives Bridge Club will be held tonight at 7:30 in the MSC Assembly Room. All Aggie wives, women faculty and staff members and coeds are invited to attend the weekly Wednesday night meetings, says Mrs. Carolyn Lockhart, club reporter.

The group is divided into three classes of bridge players:

The Beginner's Group for those who have never played or who

feel they need practice. They are instructed by Mrs. Judith Humphries, president of the club.

The Intermediate Group for players who are not quite sure of their skills.

The Regulars for accomplished players of the game.

At the end of each semester, the club sponsors a tournament at which members compete for prizes, and a couples bridge party.

A club due of \$1.50 a semester is charged to pay for cards and the expense of the tournament and party. Women are allowed to attend three meetings before paying dues.

Women are requested to wear dresses or dressy pantsuits.

The club, formed in the early 1950's, had 32 members last spring and hopes to increase its membership this year.

"Aggie coeds are most definitely welcome," says Mrs. Lockhart. "Knowledge of bridge is not necessary—just a desire to learn."

Make up a batch of sauce for seafood cocktails and keep it in the refrigerator. You can use a bottle of chili sauce or catchup and add lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce and horseradish to taste. Some cooks like to use half chili sauce and half catchup as the base.

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