**TuTh, 7:00pm-8:30pm, CB 434**

This Course draws on broad themes and problems in the History of American Technology for its content. This semester we focus on a series of topics including Learning by looking, Inventors and Inventing, Technology Fiction and Fact, and Communications Technology. Within each of the themes we trace past technologies through to the present and examine debates that engage historians of technology and historians in general. There will be 4 five-page writing assignments. In addition we will work on thesis statement formulation and article analysis during class time.

S101-02  Claudia Ford     Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies  
**Tues, 7:00pm-10:00pm, CB 410**

In this course we will explore the interdisciplinary subject of women’s and gender studies and evaluate critical questions about the meaning of gender in society and daily life. The primary goal of this course is to familiarize students with key issues, questions, and debates in women’s and gender studies scholarship, both historical and contemporary. We will analyze and discuss gender as a contextual and intersectional concept that lies at the crossroads of race, class, ethnicity, sexuality, citizenship, age, size, and ability. Lectures and readings deal with the sex/gender distinction, masculinity and femininity, social and medical constructions of gender, body politics, and gender and visual/popular culture. This course will provide a broad knowledge base for those interested in taking upper level gender and women’s studies classes.