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(Department of Gender and Women Studies)

WARNING

1. **PLAGIARISM OR HIRING OF GHOST WRITER(S) FOR SOLVING THE ASSIGNMENT(S) WILL DEBAR THE STUDENT FROM AWARD OF DEGREE/CERTIFICATE, IF FOUND AT ANY STAGE.**
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Course: Perspectives on Gender Studies (4653)

Level: M.Sc.

Semester: Autumn, 2012

Total Marks: 100

GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING ASSIGNMENT

Assignment is a take home test; you are free to use materials from internet, books and course books. Please understand the question and write in your own words by arranging your answer with an introduction, main discussion with sub topics and conclusion. Copying from books, internet etc is not allowed. Typed assignments are not accepted. If reference of other research is being quoted, it should be properly acknowledged.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR STUDENTS ATTENTION

In the following assignments you have to write short essays after reading the material provided in the Allied Study material for this course, Students' opinion and comments on the theme are the most important aspect for the tutor while marks are being allocated.

ASSIGNMENT No. 1
(Units 1–4)

- Q.1 What is the importance of Gender and Women Studies discipline in Social Sciences? (20)
- Q.2 How gender roles influence on the patriarchal setup of a society? Discuss in context of Pakistani society. (12+8)
- Q.3 Write short notes on the following: (10+10)
– Eco-feminism – Cultural feminism
- Q.4 Do men and women speak differently? If so does sex influence our language? Discuss. (10+10)
- Q.5 What do you know about Marxist feminism? How it is different from Liberal feminism? (10+10)

ASSIGNMENT No. 2
(Units 5–9)

- Q.1 What is the status of women in: (10+10)
– Buddhism – Christianity
- Q.2 Is there diverse interpretation of Islamic women's rights in different societies/countries/cultures? Clarify with examples. (20)
- Q.3 What depiction you get of women's status in the New Testament? (20)
- Q.4 International Human Rights are women rights, then why CEDAW convention was required? Discuss. (10+10)
- Q.5 How feminist methodology is different from other methodologies used in research? Explain with examples. (20)