Reading:

"Introduction: The diasporic imaginary" in Mishra, V. (2008). Literature of the Indian
diaspora. London: Routledge
"Cultural Configurations of Diaspora," in Kalra, V. Kaur, R. and Hutynuk, J. (2005).
Diaspora & hybridity. London: Sage Publications.
"The New Empire within Britain," in Rushdie, S. (1991). Imaginary Homelands.
London: Granta Books.

III. CORE COURSE -C 11:

Marks: 25 (MSE: 1Hr) + 75 (ESE: 3Hrs)=100 Pass Marks (MSE + ESE) =40

Instruction to Question Setter for

Mid Semester Examination (MSE):

There will be **two** group of questions. **Group A is compulsory** and will contain five questions of **very short answer type** consisting of 1 mark each. **Group B will contain descriptive type** six questions of five marks each, out of which any four are to answer.

End Semester Examination (ESE):

There will be two group of questions. Group A is compulsory and will contain two questions. Question No.1 will be very short answer type consisting of ten questions of 1 mark each. Question No.2 will be short answer type of 5 marks. Group B will contain descriptive type six questions of fifteen marks each, out of which any four are to answer.

Note: There may be subdivisions in each question asked in Theory Examinations.

WOMEN'S WRITING

Theory: 75 Lectures; Tutorial:15 Lectures

(Credits: Theory-05, Tutorial-01)

Unit 1

History of Women's Writing and Feminism--main themes, major writers, non-white writers

Unit 2

Emily Dickinson I cannot live with you, I'm wife; I've finished that

Eunice De Souza Advice to Women, Bequest

Unit 3

Alice Walker The Color Purple

Unit 4

Charlotte Perkins Gilman The Yellow Wallpaper

Katherine Mansfield Bliss

Mahashweta Devi *Draupadi* tr. Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak (Calcutta: Seagull, 2002)

Suggested Topics and Background Prose Readings for Class Presentations:

The Confessional Mode in Women's Writing

Sexual Politics

Race, Caste and Gender

Social Reform and Women's Rights

Readings:

Mary Wollstonecraft A Vindication of the Rights of Woman (New York: Norton, 1988) chap. 1, pp. 11–19;
chap. 2, pp. 19–38.
Virginia Woolf, A Room of One's Own (New York: Harcourt, 1957) chaps. 1 and 6.
Simone de Beauvoir, 'Introduction', in <i>The Second Sex</i> , tr. Constance Borde and ShielaMalovany-Chevallier
(London: Vintage, 2010) pp. 3–18.
KumkumSangari and SudeshVaid, eds., 'Introduction', in Recasting Women: Essays in Colonial History
(New Delhi: Kali for Women, 1989) pp. 1–25.
Chandra TalapadeMohanty, 'Under Western Eyes: Feminist Scholarship and Colonial Discourses', in
Contemporary Postcolonial Theory: A Reader, ed. PadminiMongia (New York: Arnold, 1996) pp. 172–97.