

# FY24 SCSU Women's Center

## Presentation Menu

The Women's Center has expertise in violence prevention, feminist, women's, gender, and social justice issues. Please call us to consult and/or discuss Women's Center presentation options, or for help identifying resources and speakers outside the scope of the Women's Center's expertise or availability.

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### Dr. Heather Brown's (WC Director) presentation topics

- Weight, gender, and learning
- Supporting women learners (traditional and adult)
- Feminist leadership
- Feminist research methods

*If you'd like to learn more about the content included in the above topics, please contact Dr. Brown for more details via email at [heather.brown@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:heather.brown@stcloudstate.edu)*

### SCSU Women's Center: Our Feminist Agenda

- Women's Center mission, vision, goals, and herstory
- What we offer, programs, and services
- Brief overview of issues we address
- Gender violence prevention and support services
- Leadership and engagement opportunities to get involved in Women's Center/feminist organizing work

*5 minutes—1 hour recommended  
In-person or virtual*

### Patriarchal Violence

- Defining patriarchal violence (PV) and how it manifests today lifting up Black feminist analysis
- *The personal is political*: examining scales of violence from the interpersonal to state-sanctioned and systemic violence
- Analysis of the functions and purpose of violence
- Holistic anti-violence abolition
- Deconstructing systems of punishment and coercive control
- Transformative justice

*1—2 hours recommended  
In-person or virtual*

### Sex Talks: Consent Conversations & Sexual Communication Skills Workshop

- Asking, responding, and assertive sexual communication
- How set boundaries and respectfully respond to the boundaries of others
- Sexual coercion and abuse
- How power inequity impacts consent and choice
- MinnState affirmative consent policy and campus resources

*50 minutes—2 hours recommended  
5-35 participants, in-person format only*

## Pleasure Equity & Sexual Politics

- Deconstructing heteropatriarchal sexuality
- Discussion on how social, political, religious, and gender norms affect our ability to enjoy sex to the fullest
- Focus on sexual pleasure for people assigned female at birth—primarily centered on the clitoris
- Discussing the findings and causes of the sexual satisfaction/orgasm gap (particularly between women who have sex with men)

*1—2 hours recommended  
In-person or virtual*

## Supporting Survivors of Gender Violence *(for general students audiences and training for student employees)*

- Definitions and policies/laws related to gender violence
- Supportive approaches to peers who disclose past or current abuse (including what to say/do and what to avoid)
- Common trauma responses and post-traumatic symptoms
- Reporting requirements *(if student employee)* and services/resources for survivors and their supporters (on and off campus)

*30 minutes—2 hours recommended  
In-person or virtual*

## Trauma-Informed Response to Students Survivors of Gender Violence *(training for faculty/staff)*

- Definitions and policies/laws related to gender violence
- Supportive response and approach to disclosures of past or current abuse from students (including what to say/do and what to avoid)
- Common trauma responses and post-traumatic symptoms
- Reporting requirements, advocacy services, and referral processes

*1—2 hours recommended  
In-person or virtual*