## GWS300: FALL 2018 M. KLEIN

## Feminist/m Report # 1

1. Choose <u>two women</u> from the list of first wave feminists below. You will be researching and writing about each woman.

1<sup>st</sup> wave: Maria Stewart, Lucrettia Mott, Lucy Stone, Sojourner Truth, Ida B. Wells, Alice Paul, Carrie Chapman Catt, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Margaret Sanger, Inez Milholland.

## 2. Research and write about the two women you chose from the lists above

Give us basic biographical information; when and where she was born. Try to provide a detailed and complete picture of her life in the era in which she lived. If possible, this should include: family dynamic, marital status, religious background and religious affiliation, race, class etc. Try to paint a vivid picture of the political, economic, social circumstances and historical events that influenced and shaped her life, including race, religion, sexual orientation, etc (i.e. her social locations).

Describe her contributions. What role did she play in the women's movement? How did her work shape the lives of future women? How did her contributions impact your life directly or indirectly? How does learning about her contributions, her political and feminist ideology etc. impact you?

Relate to her as a living woman. Consider this assignment as an excavation of sorts; you are resurrecting a lost piece of history and breathing new life into this woman. What is she like? How do you relate to her? Do you have anything in common? How are you two different? How might the usual ways we categorize and separate one another become unimportant in the larger context?

How does "getting to know her" impact your perception of women, women's history, feminism, and feminists?

NOTE:

- You must include in-text citations and a works cited page at the end of your paper listing your resources (minimum of 3 in the form of books, scholarly articles etc).
- Your paper should be 5 6 pages.
- Your paper needs to be typed, double-spaced, utilizing 12-point font and Times New Roman and black ink only. Please do not use covers or folders.
- Your name, the class and the date should appear in the upper left hand corner and be single-spaced.

## **DUE: NOVEMBER 4**