

**Kurzbeschreibung zur Information der Schüler in der Jgst. 10**

Lehrkraft: **H. Gersonde**

Leitfach: **Englisch**

Rahmenthema: **Women in US society**

Zielsetzung des Seminars

In this seminar the women of US society will take center stage. The students will encounter women from all walks of lives who have broken barriers, blazed trails and shaped the US nation<sup>1</sup>. The students will be asked to critically assess those women's accomplishments and put them in a larger context, taking into consideration the historical, cultural, social and political background. We will therefore examine the different roles of women in US society throughout American history and look at the way women have been represented in American culture – how do novels, short stories, movies, songs, etc. depict the life of women and their roles in the USA? And how have women themselves used their voice to make themselves heard?

mögliche Themen für die Seminararbeiten:

1. In search of the "Founding Mothers": women who formed and shaped the USA in the Revolutionary Era
2. Hillary Clinton's political career: a story of success or failure?
3. Ruth Bader Ginsburg
4. NASA's "Hidden Figures"
5. Female voices in the Black Lives Matter movement
6. Black girlhood in Angie Thomas's novel *The Hate U Give*
7. The representation of mothers and daughters against the background of multicultural US society in the movie *Spanglish*

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<sup>1</sup> cf. USA TODAY's project "Women of the Century"