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## From the Director



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Welcome back to another exciting semester in Women's Studies at UNT!

The first event of the semester is on **Wednesday, January 23**, when the College of Arts and Sciences is hosting an Open House for the three interdisciplinary programs on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the GAB from 1 to 4 pm. We hope to see lots of our Women's Studies friends (students, faculty, staff) at the event.

## Calling All WMST Alumni

Did you graduate with a minor in Women's Studies or with a B.A. in General Studies with Women's Studies as one of your three areas? If so, we'd like to hear from you. Where are you and what are you doing now?

If you are in touch with a UNT WMST alum, please let

Mark **Wednesday, January 30** on your calendars. Our feminist film series, which we have christened "Fem Flicks," begins that evening at 5:30 pm. The first film, a PBS documentary, is *The Education of Shelby Knox*. The film chronicles Shelby's political activism when, as a teenager, she questioned the abstinence-only sex education policy in Lubbock, Texas. This questioning led to other questionings, and ultimately to other activism. You will find this film a riveting experience.

BUT it gets better: **Shelby Knox** will be there in person to talk about her experience and to answer questions! Now an activist in New York, she has been widely interviewed, having speaking en-

gagements from coast-to-coast. The film and presentation will be made in the UNT Lyceum, which we hope to see filled with students. Needless to say, we are excited to have her speak at our first Fem Flicks event.

Fem Flicks will be the last Wednesday night of every month this semester. A discussion of the film will follow each showing. Save the following dates:

February 27  
March 26  
April 30

More events are planned for the semester, but we will get back to you later on them.

Have a great semester,  
Dr. Spencer

her or him know that we would like to hear from them.

Contact us at [wmst@unt.edu](mailto:wmst@unt.edu).



## Upcoming Events Around Campus

- **OPEN HOUSE** - JAN. 23, 1-4 PM
- **FEM FLICKS** - LAST WED. OF JAN., FEB., MAR., & APR.
- **VAGINA MONOLOGUES** - FEB. 16 & 17
- **WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH LECTURE** - MAR. 6
- **WOMEN OF COLOR CONFERENCE** - MAR. 28

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### Fem Flicks

### ...and Shelby Knox

"IF EVER THERE WAS A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT MORALITY AND VALUES THAT COULD APPEAL TO BOTH 'RED' AND 'BLUE' STATE AMERICANS, THIS IS IT. "

**Fem Flicks** is a new and free film series spotlighting women's issues such as humans' rights as women's rights, pornography, breast implants, and much more. Films will be shown the last Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm and include, "The Education of Shelby Knox, God Sleeps in Rwanda, Pornography of Everyday Life, and Absolutely Safe." Except for the first one, which will be in the Union Lyceum, the films will be shown in the Media

Library.

Shelby Knox, the focal point of the first film in the series, will be joining us for the screening and will be available for a question and answer session immediately after the film.

*The Education of Shelby Knox* received praise from a variety of publications. Chris Herlinger, Religion News Service, says, "If ever there was a documentary about morality and values that could ap-

peal to both 'red' and 'blue' state Americans, this is it. What is perhaps most striking about *The Education of Shelby Knox* is its honest, humane and respectful point of view."

The documentary also won several awards including Excellence in Cinematography, Sundance Film Festival and Audience Award, South by Southwest to name a few.



An internship can help prepare you for life after graduation.

## Learning by Doing...and Getting Credit For It

Sometimes it seems that all college consists of is reading, writing papers, and taking tests. But there are different ways to spice up your college career. One of them is by participating in an internship.

An internship is a formal program which allows you to gain valuable work experience, learn about a career field, and earn three semes-

ter hours of credit. It is also a great way to make contacts in your future career field, and possibly even line up a job for after graduation.

The Women's Studies Program offers internships with Planned Parenthood of North Texas, the TEA Fund, Denton County Friends of the Family, and Opening Doors Immigra-

tion Services.

In order to be eligible for one of these internships you must have completed 9 hours of WMST courses, have senior standing, and the consent of the Director to apply.

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