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“Women, Rhetoric, and Contemporary American Politics”

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ABSTRACT INFO:
“Women, Rhetoric, and Contemporary American Politics” will trace the ways that U.S. women’s legal equality does not yet signify social equality; speak to the ways some political women are using rhetoric steeped in feminism (or is it feminism steeped in rhetoric?) for mutually/collaboratively empowered action; and demonstrate the specific ways that a Secretary of State (Hillary Clinton), the chair of the U.S. Federal Reserve (Janet Yellen), and a Supreme Court Justice (Ruth Bader Ginsburg) are wielding political power differently to address issues of safety, peace, and security for all people, especially the most vulnerable among us.

BIO:
Cheryl Glenn is Liberal Arts Research Professor of English and Women’s Studies at Penn State University, where she also serves as John Moore Teaching Mentor, Director of the Program in Writing and Rhetoric, and co-founder of the Center for Democratic Deliberation. Over the course of her career, she has won countless research, scholarship, teaching, and mentoring fellowships awards; received a number of international Visiting Professorships and an honorary doctorate; and delivered lectures and workshops across North America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East.

Professor Glenn has established her scholarly profile with both publications and leadership roles. Her many publications include seven scholarly books, ten textbooks, and nearly 40 edited books, as well as numerous articles, chapters, and essays. She served as 2008 Chair of the Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC). She also serves in a variety of other leadership roles at Penn State and for the National Council of Teachers of English, the Coalition of Women Scholars in the History of Rhetoric and Composition, the Modern Language Association, the Rhetoric Society of America (RSA), and NEH. She sits on the editorial board of numerous scholarly journals.

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