Assignment Two:

Feminism and the Environmental Movements: Philosophical Concepts

DUE: 30 November 2020 via Moodle

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

Choose one prompt on which to write. This response paper should answer the proposed question in a way that demonstrates significant engagement with and critical reflection on course readings. A good reflection paper will engage with many course readings and/or multiple chapters from the same author. Be sure to have a clear thesis statement and proper citations (lectures too must be cited). *Citations for ALL sources must be (Author's Last Name, page number)*. Citations are not just quotes but any time you summarize and/or use information from a reading. **Outside resources and research are not permitted.**

The format is as follows: 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced and **700** words. Include the word-count at the bottom of the page. A paper 50 words over or under the word-count and/or without citations will not be accepted. (Citations are not part of the word-count.)

PROMPT OPTIONS (Choose one.):

- 1. What is nature according to ecofeminists?
- 2. How is ecofeminism intersectional?
- 3. What is embodiment and why is it an important ecofeminist concept?
- 4. In what ways is the category of nature problematic for ecofeminists?
- 5. In ecofeminist theory, which concept is most important and why? (Choose from: nature; embodiment; and/or intersectionality). (This may be 800 words.)

COURSE READINGS:*

(<u>Remember</u>: Use as many as possible to show that you have read and understood well.)

A.E. Kings, "Intersectionality and the Changing Face of Ecofeminism," *Ethics & the Environment* 22, no. 1 (2017), pages 63–87.

Greta Gaard. "Toward a Queer Ecofeminism," *Hypatia, vol. 12, no. 1* (Winter 1997), pages 114-137.

Linda Vance, "Ecofeminism and Wilderness," *NWSA Journal, Vol. 9, No. 3*, Women, Ecology, and the Environment (Autumn, 1997), pages 60-76.

Richard T. Twine, "Ma(r)king Essence-Ecofeminism and Embodiment," *Ethics and the Environment, vol. 6, no. 2* (Autumn, 2001), pp. 31-58.

..., "Masculinity, Nature, Eco-Feminism," from www.ecofem.org/journal

*You may use Mellor's *Feminism and Ecology* chapters 1-6 as well. However, you may not have more than three citations from her, and her work cannot be the most cited piece in your paper.