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Dr. Madeleine Goodman
Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Dr. Goodman:

First let me say how delighted I am to hear that you'll be visiting Denison University in October. There is great interest in Women's Studies scholarship on our campus, stemming in part from our graduation requirement of a course in Women's Studies or Minority Studies. We also hold various seminars, workshops and colloquia for faculty on issues in Women's Studies.

Though we have made something of a dent in the curriculum in the social sciences, humanities and the arts, we have been much less successful in the natural sciences. (This no doubt is a familiar tale!) We have high hopes that your visit will give us a needed push in that direction.

Our scheduling of your presentations has changed a little since Professor George Gilbert wrote to you, so let me outline it anew:

Sunday, Oct. 18	Arrival
Monday, Oct. 19	On-campus informal contacts - day
	Dinner with colleagues
8:00 pm	All-College Convocation "Women Hunters and Sociobiology"
Tuesday, Oct. 20	Faculty Luncheon at 12:30 - "Is There a Feminist Biology?"
	Faculty Seminar at 4:30 pm - Feminist Biology: Issues and Approaches (tentative)
	Dinner at 6:00 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 21	Departure

The Faculty Seminar alluded to above is a new presentation that we hope you might accommodate. The luncheon talk is relatively brief -- about 30 minutes with perhaps 10 minutes for questions. The faculty attending would be from many disciplines. We would like to follow it later in the afternoon with a seminar for a small number of faculty in biology and perhaps related fields of psychology. The seminar might pick up on issues you raise in the lunch talk, and in addition get into the "how to's" of mainstreaming Women's Studies scholarship in biology. We would like to precirculate seminar readings that you recommend. If this additional request does not fall within your normal fee of \$1,000 plus expenses for a 2-day visit, we would be willing to pay an additional honorarium.

I look forward to hearing if the seminar is possible, and to meeting you in person in October.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Margot I. Duley

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SOCIOBIOLOGIST MADELEINE GOODMAN SPEAKS AT DENISON'S WOMEN'S PROGRAM SERIES

GRANVILLE— National Sigma Xi Lecturer Madeleine Goodman, biologist and women's studies scholar at the University of Hawaii, will be discussing "Women Hunters and Sociobiology" at a Denison University Convocation set for 8 p.m. Monday (Oct.19) in Slayter Hall Auditorium.

Currently assistant vice president for academic affairs and professor of general science and women's studies at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Goodman is the second in a series of Women's Program speakers at Denison this fall. Cross-culture expert Edith Kern is speaking on Oct. 26 and Ms. Magazine founder and editor Gloria Steinem is scheduled to make a Convocation address on Oct. 27.

Goodman is also participating in other activities while at Denison, and will be the featured speaker at Tuesday's (Oct.20) faculty luncheon in Slayter Hall discussing, "Is There a Feminist Biology?". She will also participate in an afternoon faculty seminar examining "Feminist Biology: Issues and Approaches."

Her visit to Denison is being co-sponsored by Denison's Sigma Xi Club, a national science research honorary that locally includes members not only from Denison, but also from Kenyon College, Owens-Corning and the Newark Air Force Station. Denison Chemistry

Professor George Gilbert is president of the Denison Sigma Xi Club. Co-sponsors are Denison's Women's Programs and Women's Studies.

A 1967 graduate of Barnard College, Goodman studied zoology at the University of London and holds a diploma in human biology from Oxford University. She was a doctoral fellow at the University of Hawaii's John A. Burns School of Medicine, where she earned her Ph.D. in genetics in 1973.

Denison Women's Studies Director Margot Duley noted that Goodman's research into sexual stereotypes has included evidence that women were hunters -- which runs counter to the sociobiological assumption that females are primarily "nurturers."

Goodman is the author of numerous books including: "Sex Differences in the Human Life Cycle" and a forthcoming book entitled "'Particularly Amongst the Sunburnt Nations...' The Persistence of Sexual Stereotypes of Race in Bio-Science."

She has also written many articles, a number of which were on the topic of breast cancer. Her most recent article, "Thyroid Function and the Incidence of Breast Cancer in Hawaiian, British and Japanese Women" was published in 1986 in the International Journal of Cancer.

Goodman has been the recipient of grants from such prestigious institutions as the American Cancer Society and the National Science Foundation.

Currently she teaches classes on the biology and genetics of women. Some of her special lectures include: "Health Issues for Women in the Middle Years", "Women and Aging" and "Biological Determinants

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CALENDAR LISTING: Denison University, Slayter Auditorium, Granville, Ohio—"Women Hunters and Sociobiology" All-College Convocation featuring Madeleine Goodman, biologist and women's studies scholar. 8 p.m. Monday (Oct. 19). Free. Call 614/587-6578 for more information.