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Article Reviews

Today I have read four short essays in Joyner Library and posting my review for letting you know about them!

The essays discuss the peculiarity of women’s movement based on the criticism on protest-event data analysis, which is a firmly established methodology for social movement students. All of the authors’ arguments are in accord with that the established methodology of social movement research is only appropriate for finding out some “gendered repertoires” which are strongly biased towards male-dominated protests, thus it is necessary to look at the limits of protest-event analysis in order to seek for an alternative method.

If you are a bit familiar with social movement studies, including main theories and empirical methods, the authors’ arguments will be exceedingly striking! The authors are based on the reconfiguring relations between women’s movement and the state, which are pretty well known nowadays, but they go further, providing some inspiring clues to develop the theories and methods for women’s movement research!

You can find these articles from *POLITICS & GENDER* Vol. 6, No. 4. It is published in 2010 and pages from 601 to 630.
They include the followings:

**Introduction**

Premature Obituaries: How Can We Tell If the Women’s Movement Is Over?

Women’s Movement Institutionalization: The Need for New Approaches

The Limits of Protest Event Data and Repertoires for the Analysis of Contemporary Feminism

**When No “Official Record” Exists?**

As you can know, each essay is very short. If you want to read only one, I recommend you to read Premature Obituaries. If you are more interested in empirical methods, When No “Official Record” Exists will be the best I guess.

Thanks.