GWS 198/ENG 199: WOMEN, SCIENCE & ENGINEERING
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9:30-10:50, Tuesday/Thursday
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Photos: Illinois grad Patricia Eng, Nuclear Engineering, 1976

Description: What does it mean to be a woman in science, engineering or a related field? This is the central question the course will address. Throughout the semester, we will explore the ways women pursue educational training, challenge institutional barriers, and garner professional status within these broad fields. Students will read across multiple disciplines and engage contemporary media to understand the evolving place of women within science and technology. Attention will also be given to the concept of gender, identity, leadership, technological culture, inventive practice, and mechanical creativity.