

Women's History Month Scavenger Hunt: Influential Women in the Social & Behavioral Sciences

Many women have contributed to the various fields of study represented by the disciplines in the Social & Behavioral Sciences department here at St. Philip's College. Without their contributions, our understanding of these areas would be severely lacking. The below scavenger hunt will introduce you to these groundbreaking women and allow you the chance to find out their accomplishments in the fields of the social sciences.

Using the internet, try and find out who these women are based on their accomplishments.

Psychology:

- This woman became the first female president of the American Psychological Association (APA). During her career, she wrote over a hundred professional papers on psychology topics, developed the paired-association technique, and became known for her work in the area of self-psychology.

Who is she? _____

- This woman was a leading American psychologist in the early 20th century, was best known for her experimental work in animal behavior and motor theory development. She was the first woman to be granted a PhD in psychology & the second woman, after to serve as president of the American Psychological Association.

Who is she? _____

Political Science & Government:

- This woman was an American attorney, politician, and jurist who served as an associate justice of the US Supreme Court from 1981 to 2006. Appointed under President Ronald Reagan, she became the first woman to serve on the US supreme court.

Who is she? _____

- This woman was an American politician who, in 1968, became the first black woman to be elected to the United States Congress. she became the first black

candidate for a major-party nomination for President of the United States and the first woman to run for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination.

Who is she? _____

Economics:

- This woman is an American economist who served as the 78th United States secretary of the treasury from 2021 to 2025. She also served as the chair of the federal reserve from 2014 to 2018 making her the first woman to hold either position.

Who is she? _____

- This woman was an American actress and banker who served as the 29th treasurer of the United States from 1949 to 1953 and was the first woman to hold that office. She majored in economics at Washburn University.

Who is she? _____

History:

- This woman is an American historian and professor. She is Professor of History and African American Studies at Duke University. She specializes in nineteenth-century US history, African American history and women's history. Elected the 140th president of the American Historical Association, she is the first Black woman to serve in that office.

Who is she? _____

- This woman was an American historian. She was the first female president of the American Historical Association and the first woman to have an article published in the American Historical Review. She was also elected a fellow of the Medieval Academy of America, the first woman so elected to this organization,

Who is she? _____

Sociology:

- This woman is regarded as the first woman sociologist, or as the “Mother of Sociology.” Her study focused on American slaves, democracy, equality and so on. In her work, her role as a feminist gets highlighted with her focus on the lives of women slaves in America. She is recognized for her contributions to symbolic interactions, and she was one of the first sociologists to elaborate both a method and a methodology for studying social life.

Who is she? _____

- This woman was an American sociologist, social worker, reformer, public administrator, and settlement activist. She pioneered the introduction of Sociology as an academic discipline in the United States. In 1910, she became the first woman to receive an honorary Master of Arts degree from Yale University. She is also recognized as the founder of social work as a profession in the United States.

Who is she _____

Philosophy:

- This woman was an early advocate of women’s rights. She was a philosopher and writer whose works laid the foundation for modern feminist philosophy. She is most famous for her views on the inherent rights of women, arguing for education and equality long before these issues were mainstream topics. Her most well-known work on this subject is *A Vindication of the Rights of Women*.

Who is she? _____

- This woman was a German American philosopher and political theorist who explored the nature of power, totalitarianism, and the human condition. Her works analyze the dangers of totalitarianism and the importance of civic engagement in protecting democratic societies. She is most well known for the work *The Origins of Totalitarianism*.

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