WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES MINOR

Program Learning Objectives

1. Students will develop skills in critical thinking, writing, and oral communication.

2. Students will demonstrate substantial knowledge of foundational and contemporary research and theoretical literature in the field of Women’s & Gender Studies.

3. Students will gain an understanding of how the interdisciplinary field of Women’s and Gender Studies creates new knowledge and draws upon and utilizes the perspective of multiple fields, such as the humanities, arts, and social and behavioral sciences.

4. Students will understand the ways in which genders and sexualities shape and are shaped by social, political, ethical, economic, legal, cultural, scientific and technological factors and institutions in historical and contemporary contexts, with special attention paid to the intersections of gender, race, and class, and sexuality in national and transnational contexts.

5. Students will employ key concepts in Women’s & Gender Studies scholarship to conduct independent research and analyses on a variety of topics.

6. Students will develop skills that allow them to identify and engage with issues of social justice.

Required Courses

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<td>Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies in the United States</td>
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<td>Contemporary Issues in Women’s and Gender Studies 1</td>
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<td>WGS 450</td>
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Core Courses

Select from the following: 2

- WGS/SOC 311 Sociology of Gender
- WGS/ART 316 Women as Subject and Object in Art History
- WGS 320 Women, Gender and Sexuality in Global Perspective
- WGS/PSY 324 Psychology of Gender
- WGS/PHIL 336 Feminist Ethics, Gender, Sexuality and Society
- WGS 340 Sexuality Studies
- WGS/ES 350 Gender, Race, Culture, Science and Technology
- WGS/ES 351 Gender, Race, Class, Nation in Global Engineering, Technology & International Development
- WGS/RELS 370 Religion, Gender, and Society
- WGS 401 Seminar in Women’s and Gender Studies 3
- WGS/POLS 417 Feminist Legal Theory
- WGS/HIST 434 American Women’s History to 1870
- WGS/HIST 435 American Women’s History from 1870
- WGS/POLS 457 U.S. Reproductive Politics
- WGS/HIST 458 Gender and Sexuality in Modern Europe
- WGS 467 Women’s and Gender Studies Internship 3

Approved Electives

Select from the following: 2, 4

- ANT 401 Culture and Health
- ANT 425 Meaning, Gender, and Identity in Anthropological Theory
- COMS 315 Intergroup Communication
- COMS 316 Intercultural Communication
- COMS 319 Critical Cultural Studies and Communication
- COMS 421 Gender and Communication
- COMS 428 Family Communication
- ENGL 345 Women Writers of the Twentieth Century
- ENGL 349 Gender in Twentieth Century Literature
- ENGL 349 Significant British Writers 5
- ENGL 449 Significant American Writers 5
- ENGL 459 Significant World Writers 5
- ENGR 301 Engineering Professional Success
- ES 300 Chicano/a Non-Fiction Literature
- ES 325 Sexuality and Gender in African American Communities
- ES 340 Cultural Production and Ethnicity
- ES 380 Critical Race Theory
- ES 381 The Social Construction of Whiteness
- HIST 216 Comparative Social Movements
- HIST 421 The History of Prostitution
- ISLA 320 Topics and Issues in Values, Media and Culture 5
- KINE 260 Women’s Health Issues
- KINE 323 Sport and Gender
- MU 328 Women in Music
- POLS 310 The Politics of Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality
- PSY/CRP 304 Intergroup Dialogues
- TH 305 Topics in Diversity on the American Stage 5
- WGS 270 Selected Topics 3
- WGS 400 Special Problems for Advanced Undergraduates 3
- WGS 470 Selected Advanced Topics 3

Total units: 24

1 These repeatable WGS courses, if repeated for up to 8 units with different subtitles, can be used to meet WGS Core or Elective requirements.

2 Please check prerequisites. Your ability to select specific courses may vary depending upon your major’s curriculum requirements.

3 A total of 4 units of credit must be earned to meet the 4-unit elective requirement.
Any course listed in the WGS Core, if not used to meet Core requirements, can be used as an Elective.

Minor Advisor approval required for this course to count as a WGS elective. Approval is dependent on subtitle. Contact the department for a list of approved subtitles.