Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
Requirements for the Graduate Specialization

Currently on hold and not available (1-7-2021)

Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies is an interdisciplinary program with contributions from faculty across campus and beyond.

Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies’ students gain a more complete understanding of how the social construction of gender has influenced the roles, contributions, and experiences of both women and men in many different cultures, now and in the past. Such awareness can help them better understand our contemporary world with its changing roles for all.

· They learn to appreciate the complexity of how gender interacts with race, social class, sexual orientation, and other forms of diversity.

· They recognize the connection between Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies and other disciplines.

· They develop an appreciation for how scholarship in our field informs activism and social change, historically and in the present.

· They develop the critical intellectual capacity and communication skills to work with, to value and improve the lives of others in whatever public or private spheres they choose.

The Graduate Specialization in Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

(12-15 credits)

Required Courses (9 credits)

- WGS 510 Advanced Studies in Feminist and Queer Theory
- WGS 520 Research Methodologies
- WGS 580 Feminist Pedagogy & Practicum

Electives (at least 5 courses, 15 credits)

All are 3 credits; 400-level courses can be taken at the graduate level but your graduate program may provide additional limits or guidelines.
• WGS 401  Advanced Topics in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
• WGS 451  Women’s Sexuality
• CHF 451  Family Relationships
• CHF 452  Violence in the Family
• CMJ 410  Social Influence of Mass Communication
• ENG 471  Literature, Gender, and Gender Theory
• ENG 549  Studies in Gender and Literature
• HTY 494  Women, History and American Society: Selected Topics
• NUR 420  Women's Health
• PAX 401  Women Activists: Warriors for Peace and Justice
• PSY 465  Hormones, Brain and Behavior

Additional Courses as Electives

A topics course or Directed Reading in another discipline may be approved as an elective if it contains sustained, systematic study and discussion of issues related to Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies.

Please note: This list is current but not exclusive, as course offerings change each semester. Please contact the WGS program at 581-1228 with questions.

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