WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES MINOR

Banner Code: WGST

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The minor is for students who are interested in gender, sexuality, and feminist perspectives. While it is an especially good complement to a major in the humanities, social sciences, health and human services, or natural sciences, it is open to students in any major in the university.

The interdisciplinary minor consists of two required courses and four electives. Students interested in feminist and gender issues choose their elective courses from a broad range of offerings. Those who wish to focus on LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer issues) issues, take an introductory course focused on these issues and two electives that incorporate more specifically such perspectives.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor and students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00. For policies governing all minors, see AP.5.3.4 Minors.

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 18

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

Core Courses

Introductory Course

WMST 200 Introduction to Women and Gender Studies (Mason Core) 3

or WMST 308 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Transsexual, and Queer Studies 3

Total Credits 3

Theory Course

WMST 330 Theoretical Perspectives in Women and Gender Studies 3

Total Credits 3

Electives

Select one WMST course 3

Select 9 credits of additional elective courses from the following 9

Any WMST course

CHIN 328 Asian American Women Writers (Mason Core)
HEAL 325 Health Aspects of Human Sexuality
HEAL 327 Women's Health
HIST 350 U.S. Women's History
PSYC 362 Psychology of Gender
PSYC 466 Psychology of Intimate Relationships
INTS 310 Violence and Gender
INTS 312 Images and Experiences of Childhood: Social Construct, Literature, and Film
INTS 317 Issues in Family Relationships
INTS 320 Construction of Differences: Race, Class, and Gender
INTS 346 Art as Social Action
INTS 347 Gender Representation in Popular Culture
INTS 400 Temptress: Constructs of Sex and Power
INTS 405 Women and Leadership
INTS 446 Art, Beauty, and Culture
SOCI 309 Marriage, Families, and Intimate Life
SOCI 315 Contemporary Gender Relations
SOCI 355 Social Inequality (Mason Core)

Total Credits 12

1 Note: for students who choose a focus on LGBTQ, two of the four electives must be approved for that focus by the undergraduate advisor.