

Women's and Gender Studies

Undergraduate Concentration Requirements

Women's and Gender Studies is an interdisciplinary program that examines the multiple roles gender plays in everyday life, the impacts of gendered practices on social, cultural, and political behavior and thought, and the intersections of gender, race, sexuality, ability, age, and class.

Students are required to major in Liberal Arts and concentrate in Women's and Gender Studies (WGS). This means students are allowed more interdisciplinary freedom when selecting their academic paths. Most students who concentrate in WGS decide to earn a double major because of the program's interdisciplinary nature. For more information, visit the catalog on how to obtain a degree with two majors or graduating with two degrees.

Required courses for the B.A. in Liberal Arts with a Concentration in WGS

As a student pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Liberal Arts with a Concentration in Women's and Gender Studies, you will be required to complete 36 hours of course work, including the following:

WGS Required Courses (18 Hours)

- **WGS 2500:** Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (3 credit hours)
- **WGS 2900:** Gender, Race, and Nation (3 credit hours)
- **WGS 3150:** Survey of Feminist Theory (3 credit hours)
- **WGS 4500:** Special Topics in Women's and Gender Studies (6 credit hours)
- An **approved cross-cultural course** is also required (3 credit hours)

WGS Approved Electives (18 hours)

You must also complete 18 additional hours of electives; please select courses from the list of WGS-approved social science/humanities electives. Of these elective courses, 9 hours must be at the 3000 level or above. And you should contact the WGS undergraduate adviser to ensure your electives are eligible for degree credit.

What can you do with a WGS Concentration?

There are several amazing things you can do with a concentration in WGS in which this program can combine and enhance your current major (if applicable) when you enter the job market. In fact, did you know that there are more than 200 career paths you can follow with a concentration in WGS? Check out our website for a comprehensive list of career options available. If you are interested in finding out more about concentrating in WGS, email the Undergraduate Advisor, **Challen Nicklen**, nicklen@lsu.edu, or email the Director of the Women's and Gender Studies Program, **Elena Castro**, dwgs@lsu.edu.

Stop by our office in 118 Himes Hall to learn more!

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