

LSU Women's and Gender Studies Program Overview

Program Description

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.

By examining issues of gender, WGS courses provide fresh perspectives on social, aesthetic, economic, and political issues. WGS supports interdisciplinary research and provides students with an understanding of the impact of gendered practices on social and cultural behavior and thought and a theoretical foundation for analyzing and responding to these gendered practices and their outcomes.

Students in WGS are prepared for future employment and graduate work through the development of critical and analytical thinking skills, oral and written communication skills, and research skills. As an interdisciplinary program, WGS draws on the insights of multiple disciplines teaching students to think creatively across multiple perspectives developing creative problem-solving abilities. An emphasis on diversity teaches students to think about ways to meet the needs and address the concerns of multiple groups in society. Students in WGS go on to careers in multiple fields including law, education, social work, health, mass communications, and many more. The WGS concentration and minors serves as an ideal complement to many majors and minors.

Program Snapshot:

Undergraduate Concentration

Students are required to major in Liberal Arts and concentrate in 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. **(36 hours of course work)**

Undergraduate Minor

As a student pursuing an undergraduate minor in Women's and Gender Studies, you will be required to complete WGS 2500, "Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies" (3 Credit Hours) WGS 4500, "Special Topics in Women's and Gender Studies" (3 Credit Hours) You must also complete 12 hours of electives, at least 9 hours of which must be at the 3000 level or above. **(18 hours of coursework)**

Graduate Minor

Open to students currently enrolled in Master's or Doctorate programs. Students minoring in WGS must complete course work including 6 hours at the 7000 level (choose two of these three: WGS 7150, WGS 7500 and WGS 7900) and 6 hours in WGS. **(12 hours of coursework)**

Future career fields:

Research	Psychology	Writing, Editing & Reporting
Arts & Media Education	Social Work	Business
Human Services	Library Services	Education
Medicine and Health Care	Law & Government	Administrative Work
	Political Action Organizers	

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(Please see WGS courses on reverse page)

Women's and Gender Studies Course Offerings

Women's and Gender Studies Courses

WGS 2200 Popular Culture and Gender

WGS 2300 Gender and Health

WGS 2500 Introduction to WGS

WGS 2501 Honors Introduction to WGS

WGS 2900 Gender, Race, and Nation

WGS 3150 Survey of Feminist Theory

WGS 3600 Women and Leadership

WGS 4028 Gender & American Politics

WGS/ANTH/GEOG 4087 Gender, Place & Culture

WGS 4500 Special Topics in WGS (up to 6 hours)

WGS 4541 Gender and the Law

WGS 4900 Independent Reading & Research in WGS

WGS 7150 Seminar in Feminist and Gender Theory

WGS 7500 (pecial Topics in Women's and Gender and Sexuality Studies

WGS 7900 Independent Reading & Research in WGS

Cross-Cultural

ANTH 2051 Introduction to World Ethnography

ANTH 3401 The Study of Folklore

ANTH 4003 Indian Civilization of Middle and South America

ANTH 4050 Black Music in America

ANTH 4051 Africa

ANTH 4053 African-American Cultures

ANTH 4470 Folklore of the African Diaspora

ANTH 4475 American Folklore

EDCI 4800 Teaching in the Multicultural Classroom

ENGL 3401 The Study of Folklore

ENGL 3674 Survey of African-American Literature

ENGL 4674 Studies in African-American Literature

HIST 4077 American Popular Culture

REL 4800 Buddhism

SPAN 3044 Introduction to Latin American

SPAN 3074 Advanced Readings on Hispanic American Civilization

Approved Undergrad Major Electives

Social Sciences/Humanities

CLST 2080 Women in Antiquity

CMST 3115 Gender and Communication

ENGL 2593 Images of Women

ENGL 3593 Women and Literature

ENGL 4493 Women and Folklore

ENGL 4593 Seminar in Women's Studies

FREN 4090 French and Francophone Women Writers

HIST 4079 Women in U.S. History

KIN 2600 Human Sexuality

PHIL 4949 Topics in Philosophy of Gender

REL 3300 Women and Religion

REL 4032 Religion, Gender, and Society

SOCL 4463 Gender and Crime

SOCL 4521 Sociology of Gender

SPAN 4100 Women Writers of the Hispanic World

SW 2500 Intro to LGBTQ Studies

THTR 4021 Gender and Sexuality in Performance

WGS 2200 Popular Culture and Gender

WGS/POLI 4028 Gender and American Politics

WGS/ANTH/GEOG 4087 Gender, Place, and Culture

WGS 4541 Gender and Law

WGS 4900 Independent Reading and Research

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Literature

ENGL 2593 Images of Women

ENGL 3593 Women and Literature

ENGL 4593 (by request) Seminar in Women's Studies

FREN 4090 French and Francophone Women Writers

SPAN 4100 Women Writers of the Hispanic World

Culture & Society

ENGL 4493 Women and Folklore

CLST 2080 Women in Antiquity

HIST 4079 Women in U.S. History

REL 3300 Women and Religion

SOCL 4521 Sociology of Gender

CMST 3115 Gender and Communication

WGS 4028 Gender and American Politics

Theory

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WGS 3150 Survey of Feminist Theory

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