

BS IN WOMEN'S STUDIES

Units required for Major: 36

Program Description

The field of Women's Studies is dedicated to studying women's lives and facilitating political activism and community participation. What makes Women's Studies such a dynamic field is the conviction that theoretical knowledge is best illuminated when connected to political projects and personal experiences.







Our Women's Studies curriculum is multi-disciplinary and focuses on women, gender, and sexuality in relation to other social and economic forces such as racism, ethnocentrism, capitalism, and militarism. Students have opportunities to examine women's diverse experiences—locally, nationally, and globally—within feminist and social justice frameworks.





Minimum total units required for the BS: 120; 40 units should be upper division.

Minimum Grade Requirement

A minimum grade of C- is required of courses applied to the major.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Lower Division Core Courses (3 Units)		
WOMS 50	Introduction to Gender & Sexuality	3
Required Upper Division Courses (9 Units)		
WOMS 110	Introduction to the Women's Movement in Contemporary Society	3
WOMS 115	Introduction to Women's Studies	3
WOMS 180	Seminar in Feminist Theory	3
Required Upper Division Elective Courses (24 Units)¹		
Select at least one course from each of the following categories:		24
<i>Identities and Intersectionality</i>		
ANTH 183	Women Cross-Culturally	
EDUC 165	Sex Role Stereotyping in American Education  	
ETHN 132	La Mujer Chicana	
ETHN 151	Native American Women	
ETHN 172	Black Women In America	
HROB 158	Special Topics in Human Resource Management	
PSYC 134	Psychology of Human Sexuality	
PSYC 157	Psychology of Women	
WOMS 120	Mother Woman Person	
WOMS 136	Gender, Race, and Class  	
WOMS 137	Women Of Color 	
WOMS/GOVT 166	Gender and Politics	
WOMS 195A	Fieldwork in Women's Studies	
WOMS 199	Special Problems	
<i>The Humanities</i>		
ENGL 185B	Twentieth Century Fiction by Women 	
ENGL 185C	British Women Novelists	
ENGL 185D	American Women Writers	

HIST 122A	History of Women in Western Civilization, Prehistory-Middle Ages 
HIST 122B	History of Women in Western Civilization, Renaissance-Present 
HIST 167	History of American Women
HRS 185	Women in Film and American Culture
JOUR 172	Women in the Mass Media
PHIL 123	Philosophy and Feminism
WOMS/ETHN 118	Asian American Women
WOMS/THEA 144	Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity 
WOMS 145	Feminism and the Spirit
WOMS 146	Women In Art
<i>Society, Politics and Social Movements</i>	
CRJ 111	Women and the Criminal Justice System
EDTE 266	Women And Education
HIST 175	Sex, Population, and Birth Control in America
SOC 126	Sociology of Gender
WOMS 133	
SWRK 134	Crimes Without Victims
WOMS 139	Violence Against Women
WOMS 150	Introduction to Queer and Trans Studies
WOMS/GOVT 166	Gender and Politics
WOMS 172	LGBTQ Histories
<i>Economic Globalization and Transnational Feminism</i>	
ECON 184	Women and the Economy
WOMS 121	Women Of The Middle East
WOMS 125	Sex & Gender in South Asia
WOMS 138	Women and Work 
WOMS 147	Women's Global Issues
Total Units	36

¹ Descriptions of non-Women's Studies courses may be obtained by consulting the listings under the appropriate departments. Please consult the Women's Studies Department for any new courses added to these categories. The major and minor in Women's Studies are planned in advance and approved for graduation by the Women's Studies Coordinator.