# College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences offers the following under the supervision and jurisdiction of the college.

## Minor

- Studies in Sexuality, Women and Gender (p. 1) (also listed in interdisciplinary section)

## Graduate Major (M.A.)

- Women's and Gender Studies (p. 2) (also listed in interdisciplinary section)

## Program Certificate

- Women's and Gender Studies (p. 3) (graduate certificate) (also listed in interdisciplinary section)

## Minor

### Studies in Sexuality, Women and Gender Minor

Studies in Sexuality, Women and Gender Minor is an interdisciplinary and multicultural program that engages in research and exploration concerning all areas of human experience. Its unique perspective strengthens the abilities of students within any major to critically analyze theory and research emphasizing the importance of gender while including other essential categories of analysis such as race, class, sexuality, ethnicity, and nationality. This program is offered under the jurisdiction and general supervision of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. For more information, contact the Women's and Gender Studies office, Sabin 225, 319-273-7102, or csbs.uni.edu/womenstudies.

### Required

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#### Humanities:

- **WGS 1040** (680:040) Introduction
- **WGS 2040** Introduction to LGBTQ Studies
- **FAM SERV 1057** (31F:057) Human Relationships and Sexuality
- **RELS/PHIL 2570** Good Sex: The Ethics of Human Sexuality

#### Electives:

- **ANTH 3104/PSYCH 4608/5608** (400:167g) Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective
- **COMM 4346/5346** (48C:153g) Gender Issues in Communication
- **COMM 4446/5446** (48C:113g) Social Protest: Performance and Rhetoric
- **CRIM 4331/5331** (982:131g) Women, Crime and Society
- **EDPSYCH 4140/5148** Social Psychology in Educational Contexts
- **ENGLISH 1120** (620:031) Literature: (topic) (Topics in Women's and Gender Studies ONLY)
- **ENGLISH 4120/5120** Literature, Gender and Intersectionality
- **ENGLISH 4420/5420** The American Renaissance
- **ENGLISH 4425/5425** American Realism and Naturalism to WWI

#### Family Services:

- **FAM SERV 1057** (31F:057) Human Relationships and Sexuality
- **FAM SERV 3145/5145** (31F:145g) Violence in Intimate Relationships

#### Public Health and Education:

- **PH 2530** Introduction to Women's Health
- **PH 2540** Selected Topics in Women's Health
- **HIST 4260/5260** United States Women's History
- **HIST 4690/5690** Modern European Women's History

#### Humanities:

- **HUM 3160/5160** (680:160g) Black Women in America: Challenge, Spirit, Survival

#### Philosophy:

- **CAP 3151** (CAP:151) Money, Sex and Power: Theories of Race, Class and Gender

#### Psychology:

- **PSYCH 2201** (400:060) Psychology of Gender
- **PSYCH 4608/ANTH 3104/5104** (990:167g) Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective

#### World Religions:

- **RELS 1020** (640:024) Religions of the World (Family Life emphasis only)
- **RELS 3150** Women and Christianity
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Social Sciences:
SOC SCI 1020 (900:020) Women, Men, and Society
Sociology:
SOC 2040 (980:156g) Social Movements *
SOC 3045/5045 (980:135g) Social Inequality *
SOC 3050/5050 (980:129g) Men and Masculinities
SOC 4051/5051 Sociology of Gender
SOC 4071/5071 (980:171g) Feminist Theories in the Social Sciences *

Textiles and Design:
TEXDSGN 4015/5015 Dress and Human Behavior (31T:114g)

Women's and Gender Studies:
WGS 2040 Introduction to LGBTQ Studies
WGS 3195/5195 (900:195g) Internship in Women's and Gender Studies *

Total Hours 18

Notes:
No more than 9 hours from courses with the same prefix.

A minimum of 9 hours from the 3000-level or above.

No more than one of the following may be counted for WGS credit: COMM 4446/5446 (48C:113g) or SOC 2040 (980:156g)

* These courses have additional prerequisites.

** Students must submit a student request form to receive WGS minor credit for this course.

Master of Arts Degree
Major in Women's and Gender Studies

The M.A. in Women's and Gender Studies is interdisciplinary in nature and is under the jurisdiction of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Students interested in this program must submit a completed Application for Admission to Graduate Study and should refer to their MyUNIverse Student Center To-Do list or contact the Director of Women's and Gender Studies for any other application requirements. Graduate information and application for graduate admission can be found at www.grad.uni.edu/admission.

Admission to the program is competitive. Detailed information on admission requirements and procedures may be obtained from the Women's and Gender Studies office.

The Graduate Record Examination (General Test) is not required for admission to the program.

The Women's and Gender Studies curriculum is designed to meet the needs of students who strive for analytic clarity and rigor in gender-focused research. Students may employ the skills in reflective and critical analysis as well as the broad base of knowledge that they obtain in the program to:

1. prepare for a Ph.D. program with a disciplinary or interdisciplinary focus on gender or,
2. prepare for a career in the public or private sector in the areas of gender and wellness, gender and violence prevention, or another area based on student interest or,
3. satisfy strong intellectual interests and curiosity while pursuing advanced education in the liberal arts.

Through core courses and selected electives, students enrolled in the Master of Arts in Women's and Gender Studies will accomplish several objectives: examine theories concerning the social and historical constructions of gender; explore how gender identity and sexual orientation help define human relationships; recognize that women's lives have been under-represented in traditional disciplines and investigate previously neglected materials in order to identify women's as well as men's roles in cultural or social endeavors; study, compare, and evaluate an array of disciplinary perspectives on gender, including, but not limited to, cross-cultural, economic, sociological, historical, and literary perspectives; identify intersections of gender with race, class, age, sexual identity, and ethnicity, both locally and globally; both in the present and in the past; and employ new methodological and critical approaches to materials customarily treated in other ways, revising the content and assumptions of particular disciplines to address gender and related issues more effectively.

Only graduate courses (course numbers 5000 or above) will apply to a graduate degree, even if the undergraduate course number (4999 or less) is listed. No exceptions will be made.

The M.A. in Women's and Gender Studies has 2 tracks: thesis and applied (non-thesis). The thesis track requires a minimum of 31 semester hours of study; the non-thesis applied track requires a minimum of 32 hours: 15 hours of 6000-level course work, including 6 hours of WGS 6299 is required for the thesis option; 12 hours of 6000-level course work is required for the applied option. Additional non-program hours may be required if courses on a student's program of study have prerequisites which instructors choose not to waive.

Successful completion of an activism portfolio is required for both tracks. The Applied Track requires a culminating 120-hour internship project and research paper, which is supervised by two WGS faculty members and an internship site supervisor. The project may take a wide variety of forms, but it should meet the following 3 requirements:
1) shows evidence of theoretically informed and self-reflexive praxis; 2) shows evidence of knowledge and research skills appropriate to the project; and 3) is related to the student’s focus area.

Common core (13 hours – required for all students):

| Required (4 Hours) | 
| WGS 6289 Graduate Seminar in Women's and Gender Studies: Comparative Feminist Theories |
| (680:289) |
| WGS 6291 Graduate Proseminar in Women's and Gender Studies |

Feminist Theories in the Social Sciences and Humanities (3 hours)
Select one of the following:

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**History (3 Hours)** 3

- HIST 4260/5260 United States Women's History
- or HIST 4690/5690 Modern European Women's History

**Research Methodology (3 Hours)**

In consultation with and approval of thesis advisor, one course from the following or other course approved by the thesis advisor or program director:

- COMMGRAD 6022 Communication Research Methodology (48C:236)
- ENGLISH 4120/5120 Literature, Gender and Intersectionality (620:128g)
- ENGLISH 4140/5140 Literary Criticism (620:161g)
- ENGLISH 6100 Methods of Graduate Study in English (620:201)
- HIST 6050 Historical Methods (960:290)
- PSYCH 6002 Research Design (400:241)
- SOC/ANTH 4015 Qualitative Research
- KAHHS 6210 Quantitative Methods in KAHHS
- KAHHS 6215 Qualitative Methods
- RTNL 6410 Evaluation, Research and Accountability

**Total Hours** 13

**Thesis Track**

- Common Core 13
- WGS 6299 Research Women's and Gender Studies 6
- Electives related to Thesis Topic 1 12

**Total Hours** 31

1 With the approval of the thesis advisor, the student individually designs an elective sequence, selecting courses from the humanities, fine arts, social and natural sciences that best contribute to the student’s thesis project.

**Applied Track**

- Common Core 13
- WGS 6195 Graduate Internship in Women's and Gender Studies 4
- RTNL 6406 Fundraising and Grant Seeking for Nonprofit Agencies 3
- Electives in Focus Area 1 12

**Total Hours** 32

**Focus Areas:**

1) **Gender and Wellness**

Required (choose one course from the following): 3

- PH 3330/5330 Minority Health
- or PH 3310/5310 Cultural Competency for the Helping Professions

Electives (choose 9 hours from the following): 9

- PH 3320/5320 Global Service Mission
- PH 3660/5660 Public Health Theory
- PH 3140/5140 Planning and Evaluating Public Health Programs
- PH 3150/5150 Implementation and Advocacy in Public Health Programs

2) **Gender and Violence Prevention**

Choose 12 hours from the following: 12

- FAM SERV 3145/5145 Violence in Intimate Relationships (31F:145g)
- COMM 4447/5447 Performance and Social Change (48C:108g)
- COMM 4346/5346 Gender Issues in Communication (48C:153g)
- SOC 3050/5050 Men and Masculinities (980:129g)
- CRIM 4331/5331 Women, Crime and Society (982:131g)
- WGS 6297 Practicum Women and Gender Studies

3) **Individualized (tailored to student interests, with permission of advisor)**

A Graduate Certificate in Women’s and Gender Studies is also available. For requirements go to www.uni.edu/interdisciplinarmajorsandminors/programcertificates or in PDF copy go to the "Interdisciplinary" section.

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**Program Certificate**

**Graduate Certificate in Women’s and Gender Studies**

The Graduate Certificate in Women’s and Gender Studies is interdisciplinary in nature and under the supervision and jurisdiction of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

The Graduate Certificate in Women’s and Gender Studies (WGS) provides students the opportunity to be exposed to the rapidly expanding interdisciplinary scholarship on women’s and gender studies. This program is designed for students currently enrolled in a graduate program at UNI who are seeking a graduate degree in any discipline.

The WGS graduate certificate requires 12 credit hours, which must be successfully completed during a five year period to earn the certificate. At least nine hours have to be completed at UNI and at least six of the 12 hours have to be at the 200/6000-level. Courses fulfilling the certificate program may be used to meet the requirements in a degree program in accordance with the policies of the Graduate College.

Curriculum requirements consist of one core course and a minimum of nine credit hours of electives. Students must take at least six credit
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hours of elective course work outside the degree-granting program. Students may petition the Director of WGS to add a relevant course.

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| Electives | 9 |
| Must choose one course from the Social Sciences Category A, one course from the Humanities Category B, and one course from either A, B, or the Experimental Category C. |

| **Category A: Social Sciences** |  |
| Educational Psychology: | |
| EDPSYCH 4188/5188 | Current Approaches to Multicultural Education (200:188g) |
| Design, Textiles, Gerontology, & Family Studies: | |
| FAM SERV 3145/5145 | Violence in Intimate Relationships (31F:145g) |
| TEXDSGN 4015/5015 | Dress and Human Behavior (31T:114g) |
| Political Science: | |
| POL AMER 4142/5142 | Problems in Juvenile and Family Law (942:142g) |
| History: | |
| HIST 4260/5260 | United States Women's History (942:142g) |
| HIST 4690/5690 | Modern European Women's History |
| Sociology/Criminology: | |
| SOC 3045/5045 | Social Inequality (980:135g) |
| SOC 4071/5071 | Feminist Theories in the Social Sciences (980:171g) |
| CRIM 4331/5331 | Women, Crime and Society (982:131g) |

| **Category B: Humanities** |  |
| Communication and Media: | |
| COMM 4447/5447 | Performance and Social Change (48C:106g) |
| COMM 4446/5446 | Social Protest: Performance and Rhetoric (48C:113g) |
| COMM 4346/5346 | Gender Issues in Communication (48C:153g) |
| Languages and Literatures: | |
| ENGLISH 4120/5120 | Literature, Gender and Intersectionality (620:128g) |
| ENGLISH 6120 (620:206) | Feminist Literary Theories and Practice |
| Humanities: | |
| HUM 3160/5160 (680:160g) | Black Women in America: Challenge, Spirit, Survival |
| WGS 6289 (680:289) | Graduate Seminar in Women's and Gender Studies: Comparative Feminist Theories |

| **Category C: Experimental** |  |
| Social Science: | |
| WGS 3195/5195 (900:195g) | Internship in Women's and Gender Studies |
| Practicum that has a gender focus and is advised by a WGS faculty member. |

| Total Hours | 12 |