

WOMEN, GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES(WGSS)

WGSS 1200 Introduction to Women and Gender Studies

3 credit hours

Students are introduced to key issues and debates in women, gender and feminist studies from historical, contemporary, and transnational perspectives. Students address diverse experiences of, and ways of understanding, sex and gender, foregrounding how they intersect with race, class, ethnicity, ability, nationality, settler and other forms of colonialism, as well as other social identities and resources.

Note: Students may not receive credit for WGSS 1200 if they have already received credit for WMST 1200.

WGSS 1800-1825 Special topics in WGSS

6 credit hours

Course content varies from year to year.

WGSS 1826-1849 Special Topics in WGSS

3 credit hours

Course content varies from year to year.

WGSS 2100 Foundations in Sexuality Studies

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: WGSS 1200 though can be taken concurrently.

Students are introduced to key issues and debates in sexuality studies from historical, contemporary, and transnational perspectives. Students address diverse experiences of, and ways of understanding, sexuality, foregrounding how it intersects with gender, race, class, ethnicity, ability, nationality, settler and other forms of colonialism, as well as other social identities and resources.

WGSS 2800-2825 Special topics in WGSS

6 credit hours

Prerequisite: at least three (3) credit hours in WGSS
Course content varies from year to year.

WGSS 2826-2849 Special Topics in WGSS

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: at least three (3) credit hours in WGSS
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WGSS 3100 Interdisciplinary Studies in WGSS

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: WGSS 1200

Interdisciplinary WGSS researchers draw on theories, methods, and texts from a variety of fields of study such as literature, philosophy, history, sociology, and media studies, and bring them together in their work. Students examine the work of interdisciplinary researchers whose work centers questions of women, gender and sexuality in order to understand how knowledge is constructed and communicated within the field.

WGSS 3101 Women and Gender in a Transnational Context

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: A minimum of 24 credit hours of study. At least 9 credit hours of these should be in the Faculty of Arts.

Students place women's civic and political rights movements in a global perspective and question hegemonic divisions between "Western" and "Third World" feminisms. Students chart the growth of the transnational women's movements in the context of intersectionality, justice, activism, and coalition-building in a wide range of historical, cultural, and geopolitical locations.

WGSS 3800-3825 Special topics in WGSS

6 credit hours

Prerequisite: at least three (3) credit hours in WGSS
Course content varies from year to year.

WGSS 3826-3849 Special Topics in WGSS

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: at least three (3) credit hours in WGSS
Course content varies from year to year.

WGSS 4100 Advanced Studies in WGSS

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: WGSS 1200

Women, gender and sexuality studies is a field that is experiencing rapid growth and development. Students are offered an advanced exploration of new and emerging theories in the field, building on the theoretical, methodological, and historical work examined in previous WGSS courses.

WGSS 4101 Gendered and Sexualized Violence

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: A minimum of 45 credit hours

Students critically engage with debates around the relationships between gender, violence, and conflict in an interdisciplinary, ethics-informed context. Students focus on the following themes: gendered and sexualized experiences of violence, conflict and peace militarization, hegemonic manifestations of masculinities and femininities and their relationship to gender-based and sexual violence, and the institutionalization of such violence.

WGSS 4800-4825 Special topics in WGSS

6 credit hours

Prerequisite: at least twenty-four (24) credit hours in WGSS
Course content varies from year to year.

WGSS 4826-4849 Special Topics in WGSS

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: at least twenty-four (24) credit hours in WGSS
Course content varies from year to year.

WGSS 4850-4875 Directed Studies in WGSS

6 credit hours

Prerequisite: at least twenty-four (24) credit hours in WGSS
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WGSS 4876-4899 Directed Reading in WGSS

3 credit hour course

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