

WOMEN AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT - BA, BS

The women¹ and international development major prepares students for development careers in such contexts as NGOs, government agencies, foundations, and private development initiatives. The program emphasizes issues of justice and sustainability, women’s roles in communities and organizations, applied research, and women’s leadership in development.

With an emphasis on development practice, this major helps students use economic, social, cultural, and political structures to understand the process of development, women’s crucial roles in that process, and persistent inequities in the distribution of social and economic goods. Students will learn the context of globalization to understand how to build a just and sustainable global society with equal rights for men and women across nations and cultures.

¹ Women are people with diverse backgrounds of gender, class, race, sexuality, nation, age and ability. This vision of women is central to St. Catherine University Women’s Studies.

See also: Women’s Studies (<http://catalog.stkate.edu/undergraduate/humanities-arts-sciences/womens-studies>)

This major is offered in the College for Women.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
ECON 1120	Economics of Social Issues	4
ECON 2620	Principles of Macroeconomics	4
ECON 3450W	Development Economics: Examining Poverty and Inequality	4
ECON/WOST 4XXX	Women and International Development: Analysis to Practice	4
POSC 3300	Haves and Have-Nots	4
SOCI 2200	People, Stories and Images: Qualitative Social Research	4
or ECON 3050	Quantitative Impact Evaluation: Applied Research Skills	
WOST 2050W	Foundations in Women’s Studies	4
Select one of the following:		4
BIOL 1110	Environmental Biology with Lab	
BIOL 1140	Race, Class, Gender and the Environment with Lab	
BIOL 3050	Ecology with Lab	
Select two of the following:		8
COMM 3100	Communicating across Cultures, Identities and Differences	
ECON 3480W	International Economics: Trade and Immigration	
HLTH 3250	Global Health	
POSC 3150	Women and Globalization	
SOCI 3250	Cultural Anthropology	
SOCI 3450	Women’s Issues from Global Perspectives	
Select one of the following:		4

ECON 1090	Statistical Analysis for Decision Making
HLTH 1090	Biostatistics
PSYC 1090	Statistical Methods in Psychology
STAT 1089	Statistical Analysis with Corequisite
STAT 1090	Statistical Analysis

Total Credits 44

Noncredit Seminar

This requirement is not a credit course; rather, it involves student participation in noncredit seminars related to women and international development. Students will be required to submit reflections on a total of eight seminars during the course of their major. The seminars will provide a forum through which students will connect their coursework to key issues in development practice. Seminar speakers will range from development practitioners to faculty, to seniors in the major discussing their field experiences.

Women¹ and international development majors satisfy the Writing Requirement for Majors by completing WOST 2050W Foundations in Women’s Studies. They complete the Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Writing Requirement with three other writing-intensive courses (CORE 1000W The Reflective Woman or CORE 2000W The Reflective Woman, CORE 3990W Global Search for Justice and any other writing intensive course).

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