

GENDER AND WOMEN'S STUDIES - BA

The gender and women's studies major prepares students to think critically, analyze ideas and policies skillfully, work with others very different from themselves, engage social justice concerns, and work toward social transformation. This preparation makes gender and women's studies majors in demand in organizations working towards positive social change. In the last few years, gender and women's studies students have found employment as public policy analysts, professors, pastoral ministers, corporate managers, filmmakers, financial analysts, lobbyists, lawyers, child advocates, and more.

See also: Women and International Development (<https://stkate-preview.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/humanities-arts-sciences/econ-poli-sci/women-international-development-ba-bs/>)

This major is offered in the College for Women.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
WOST 2050W	Foundations of Gender and Women's Studies	4
WOST 3640 or WOST 3900	Feminist Theory Feminist Philosophy	4
WOST 4604	Internship	4
WOST 4850W	Senior Seminar	4
Select one of these two 3000-level courses with a global focus ¹		4
WOST 3150	Women and Globalization	
WOST 3450	Women's Issues from Global Perspectives	
Or other 3000/4000-level WOST cross-listed course focused on global perspectives with permission of chair		
One WOST course cross-listed in arts or humanities ¹		4
One WOST course cross-listed in social sciences or sciences ¹		4
One elective cross-listed with any department and WOST ¹		4

¹ Of these four courses, one must be a WOST course cross-listed with Critical Studies of Race and Ethnicity

Courses other than WOST 2050W Foundations in Women's Studies, WOST 3640 Feminist Theory, WOST 4604 Internship, and WOST 4850W Senior Seminar are cross-listed for women's studies within the originating department (see lists below).

Arts/Humanities

Code	Title	Credits
ARTH 3630	Gender, Art, and Society	4
ENGL 2290	Women and Literature	4
ENGL 2402	Language in Society	4
ENGL 3400W	Language as Power	4
HIST 3250	History of Civil Liberties and Civil Rights in the U.S.	4
HIST 3560	Women in America to 1920	4
HIST 3630	Women in Asia	4
HIST 3700	History of Feminism in Western Society	4

PHIL 2400	Philosophy and Women	4
PHIL 3900	Feminist Philosophy	4
THEO 2000	Maiden - Mother - Crone: Life Stages and the Spiritual Journey	4
THEO 3930W	Women Mystics: Comparative Traditions	4

Science/Social Science

Code	Title	Credits
BIOL 1120	Biology of Women with Lab	4
COMM 2050	Media, Culture and Society	4
COMM 3070W	Gender and Rhetoric	4
COMM 3100	Communicating across Cultures, Identities and Differences	4
COMM 4600	Leadership and the Art of Persuasion	4
CRST 2150	Challenging Oppressions, Civic Engagement and Change	4
ECON 1120	Economics of Social Issues	4
PSYC 3050	Psychology of Gender	4
SOCI 2700	Social Movements-Social Change	4
SOCI 3210	Family, Identity and Inequality	4
SOCI 3250	Cultural Anthropology	4
SOCI 3450	Women's Issues from Global Perspectives	4
SOCI 3510	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	4

Courses with Race/Ethnicity Component

Code	Title	Credits
CRST 2150	Challenging Oppressions, Civic Engagement and Change	4
COMM 3100	Communicating across Cultures, Identities and Differences	4
ENGL 2260	Literature in Translation	4
ENGL 2290	Women and Literature	4
ENGL 2402	Language in Society	4
ENGL 3400W	Language as Power	4
HIST 3250	History of Civil Liberties and Civil Rights in the U.S.	4
HIST 3630	Women in Asia	4
SOCI 2700	Social Movements-Social Change	4
SOCI 3210	Family, Identity and Inequality	4
SOCI 3250	Cultural Anthropology	4
SOCI 3450	Women's Issues from Global Perspectives	4
SOCI 3510	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	4

Other cross-listed courses include selected sections of topics courses, selected senior seminars and selected independent studies.

Gender and women's studies majors satisfy the Writing Requirement for Majors by completing WOST 2050W Foundations in Women's Studies and WOST 3640 Feminist Theory. They complete the Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Writing Requirement with two other writing-intensive courses (CORE 1000W The Reflective Woman and CORE 3990W Global Search for Justice).

Code	Title	Credits
Fall Term		
WOST 2050W	Foundations of Gender and Women's Studies	4
Spring Term		
Select one WOST course		4
Fall Term		
Select one WOST course		4
Spring Term		
WOST 3640	Feminist Theory	4
or PHIL 3900	Feminist Philosophy	
Fall Term		
Select one Global WOST course ¹		4
Spring Term		
WOST 4604	Internship	4
or WOST 4850W	Senior Seminar	
Fall Term		
Select one WOST course		4
Spring Term		
WOST 4604	Internship	4
or WOST 4850W	Senior Seminar	
Total Credits		32

¹ Must be 3000 level