Gender and Sexuality Studies (GSS)

Courses

**GSS 100. Introduction to Women's Studies. 4 Units.**
(GE=D4)
An introduction to the growing body of women's studies scholarship. Includes feminist theories of gender stratification and introduces women's issues, experiences and achievements in a variety of fields. Formerly WSTD 100 and 200.

**GSS 101. Introduction to Masculinity Studies. 4 Units.**
(GE=D4)
Different ways that masculinity is constructed, understood, and represented historically and contemporarily. Social and personal meanings of masculinity across multiple contexts including the definitions of masculinity held by people as shaped by sex, culture, nationality, social class, physicality, race/ethnicity, age and sexual orientation.

**GSS 103. Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies. 4 Units.**
(GE=D4)
Interdisciplinary overview of the field of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender studies. Explores both historical events and contemporary issues related to LGBT studies, drawing readings from various academic disciplines including anthropology, the arts, communication studies, history, literature, philosophy, psychology, the sciences, sociology and women's studies. Addresses multiple aspects of diversity among LGBT people, their histories, and experiences. Formerly WSTD 103.

**GSS 300. Feminist Research Methods. 4 Units.**
Development and implementation of research (quantitative or qualitative) informed by feminist theory.

**GSS 336. Women Writers. 4 Units.**
Literary analysis of selected works by women writers, with special emphasis on historical and contemporary issues of women's lives. (Offered as ENG and GSS 336. Students may not receive credit for both.) GSS 336 was formerly WSTD 336.

**GSS 390. Topics in Gender and Sexuality Studies. 4 Units.**
Examination of selected topics of current interest in gender and sexuality studies. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Formerly WSTD 390.

**GSS 420. Feminist Theory. 4 Units.**
Survey of feminist theory. Formerly WSTD 420.

**GSS 425. Women as Agents of Social Change. 4 Units.**
Prerequisites: GSS 100 or consent of instructor. Formerly WSTD 425 Historical and contemporary analysis of women as agents of social change, including responses to gender-based discrimination, consideration of feminist theories of social change and debates over desired directions for the future of societies.

**GSS 450. Queer Theory. 4 Units.**
Introduction to queer theory through an examination of key theoretical texts, providing an interdisciplinary survey of theories of sexual diversity within changing historical and cultural contexts. Formerly WSTD 450.

**GSS 575B. Internship in Gender and Sexuality Programs and Services. 2 Units.**
Prerequisites: consent of the Gender and Sexuality Studies Program Committee coordinator. Formerly WSTD 575 Supervised work and study in private or public organizations involving gender and sexuality issues. May be repeated once for credit, a total of eight units may apply toward graduation. Graded credit/no credit.

**GSS 575C. Internship in Gender and Sexuality Programs and Services. 3 Units.**
Prerequisites: consent of the Gender and Sexuality Studies Program Committee coordinator. Formerly WSTD 575 Supervised work and study in private or public organizations involving gender and sexuality issues. May be repeated once for credit, a total of eight units may apply toward graduation. Graded credit/no credit.

**GSS 575D. Internship in Gender and Sexuality Programs and Services. 4 Units.**
Prerequisites: consent of the Gender and Sexuality Studies Program Committee coordinator. Formerly WSTD 575 Supervised work and study in private or public organizations involving gender and sexuality issues. May be repeated once for credit, a total of eight units may apply toward graduation. Graded credit/no credit.

**GSS 595B. Independent Study. 2 Units.**
Prerequisites: junior standing, consent of instructor and approval by the Gender and Sexuality Program Committee coordinator. Formerly WSTD 595 Investigation of special topics in gender and sexuality studies that are not covered by the curricular offerings in gender and sexuality studies or the cross-listed offerings from other departments. No more than eight units of independent study may be applied toward the minor or certificate in gender and sexuality studies.

**GSS 595C. Independent Study. 3 Units.**
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**GSS 595D. Independent Study. 4 Units.**
Prerequisites: junior standing, consent of instructor and approval by the Gender and Sexuality Program Committee coordinator. Formerly WSTD 595 Investigation of special topics in gender and sexuality studies that are not covered by the curricular offerings in gender and sexuality studies or the cross-listed offerings from other departments. No more than eight units of independent study may be applied toward the minor or certificate in gender and sexuality studies.
GSS 595E. Independent Study. 5 Units.
Prerequisites: junior standing, consent of instructor and approval by the Gender and Sexuality Program Committee coordinator. Formerly WSTD 595
Investigation of special topics in gender and sexuality studies that are not covered by the curricular offerings in gender and sexuality studies or the cross-listed offerings from other departments. No more than eight units of independent study may be applied toward the minor or certificate in gender and sexuality studies.