The minor in WGSS offers an excellent inter- and multi-disciplinary curriculum that examines women, girls and gender throughout history and across cultures. WGSS courses teach critical thinking through an examination of the historical and contemporary problems facing women locally, nationally and globally. Students expand their understanding of gender difference, cultural diversity and social change as they complete an 18-hour program of study from among a wide variety of classes in numerous fields and disciplines. WGSS courses in history, sociology, psychology, criminal justice, English, religion, political science, law and other areas enable students to pursue a specialized focus which enhances their major in the humanities, social sciences or natural sciences. The minor also provides sufficient flexibility to allow for the creation of a course of study especially suited to the individual interests of students.

**Student Learning Outcomes**

Students graduating from this program will:

- explore the historical development and contemporary manifestation of gender-based inequalities.
- generate new knowledge about women’s lives and resistances in U.S. and global contexts.
- advance critical research, thinking and writing skills as integral to professional development and political engagement.
- foster understandings about how to transform inequalities of race, class, gender, sexuality and nations through direct engagement with communities in service learning.

**Program Requirements**

A minor in Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies requires 18 credits. Nine credits must be in upper division courses (that is, 300 and 400) and no more than nine credits may overlap with your major. Reading courses on selected topics may be arranged with individual faculty members.

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**Additional Courses**

Approved social sciences and humanities courses

Total Credits

1 The remaining 12 hours must include a minimum of 3 hours of social sciences credit and 3 hours of humanities credit and be chosen from an approved list of courses. No more than three credits from 100 level courses can count towards the minor.

Students are encouraged to take WGS 484: Women’s & Gender Studies Internship.