Women’s Studies Minor

A minor in Women’s Studies is compatible with many majors and can add value to credentials. Graduates with women’s and gender studies majors and minors are pursuing careers in all sectors, from health and medicine, to business and industry; public relations to law and politics.

**Medicine, Health, and Fitness**
Understanding physical, social, and political aspects of gender can inform the practices of various health-care professionals and enhance health and fitness choices.

**Business and Industry**
Today’s corporations profit from expertise in women’s and gender issues to help them create equitable and productive workplaces. Women are also increasingly important consumers and entrepreneurs.

**Law, Politics, and Government**
Attorneys, judges, legislators, lobbyists, and strategists benefit from understanding women’s and gender issues. Law schools look for the intellectual skills that women’s and gender studies programs promote.

**Social Programs and Services**
Counselors, social workers, advocates, and program directors who understand the history, development, and effects of gender roles may be more effective in coordinating the needs of clients.

**Non-Profits and Outreach**
Non-profits, NGOs, and aid organizations advocate for human rights and work to eliminate local and global barriers to the advancement of people based on gender.

**Doing amazing things together**
Participants from around the world at International Women’s Day Event, 2014

Gloria Steinem: “Reflections on Feminism,” 2009
Jean Theoharis: *The Rebellious Life of Rosa Parks*, 2014
The minor in women’s studies is an interdisciplinary academic program with courses designed to complement and enrich students’ work in their major fields. The women’s studies minor comprises a 6 s.h. core, which includes a course that introduces students to the discipline; a senior seminar that helps students synthesize what they have learned; and 18 s.h. of electives. A course may not count toward the student’s major degree and the women’s studies minor.

1. Core - 6 s.h.
   - WOST 2000 - Introduction to Women’s Studies: Humanities or
   - WOST 2200 - Introduction to Women’s Studies: Arts or
   - WOST 2400 - Introduction to Women’s Studies: Social Sciences
   - WOST 4000 - Senior Seminar in Women’s Studies

2. Electives - 18 s.h.
   - WOST 3500 - Selected Topics in Women’s Studies: Social Sciences
   - WOST 3510 - Selected Topics in Women’s Studies: Humanities
   - WOST 3520 - Selected Topics in Women’s Studies: Fine Arts
   - WOST 3910, 3920, 3930 - Directed Readings in Women’s Studies
   - WOST 4200 - Feminist Theory
   - WOST 4500 - Internship in Women’s Studies
   - WOST 5000 - Advanced Seminar in Women’s Studies
   - Selected topics and honors seminars as approved
   - ANTH 3009 - Motherhood of God in Asian Traditions or
   - RELI 3000 - Motherhood of God in Asian Traditions or
   - ANTH 3200 - Women's Roles in Cross-Cultural Perspective
   - CDFR 5300. Families, Sexuality, and Gender Roles (3)
   - CLAS 2400 - Women in Classical Antiquity
   - COMM 4135 - Gender and Communication
   - ENGL 3300 - Women and Literature
   - FORL 3660 - Hispanic Women Writers
   - GEOG 4320 - Gender, Economy, and Development
   - HIST 3140 - Women in American History
   - HIST 5220 - Selected Topics in US Women’s History
   - HLTH 3020 - Health Disparities
   - HLTH 5310 - Education for Human Sexuality
   - NURS 5327. Women’s Health (3)
   - POLS 3040 - Women in Politics
   - POLS 3041 - Women and Public Policy
   - PSYC 4335 - Psychology of Women
   - PSYC 4350 - Psychology of Sexual Behavior
   - RELI 3690 - Women and Religion
   - SOCI 3400 - Introduction to Gender and Society
   - SOCI 5400 - Seminar in Gender Roles
   - SOCW 5007 - Women as Clients

May choose only one elective from:
   - ANTH 2025 - Sexual Behavior from an Anthropological Perspective
   - ENGL 2400 - World Literature in English
   - ENGL 3260 - African American Literature
   - FORL 2600 - Literature in Translation: The Holocaust
   - HIST 3110 - History of African-Americans
   - HIST 5230 - Themes in African American History
   - SOCI 4345 - Racial and Cultural Minorities