

Women's Studies Minor

Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies / University of Houston

The Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies (WGSS) Program draws upon the dynamic energy of the global city of Houston, Texas, and the great diversity of the University of Houston campus. The program promotes an intersectional, multidisciplinary and transnational approach that critically assesses existing hierarchies, inequalities, and forms of privilege. The critical perspective of the Women's Studies Minor establishes gender as a fundamental category of social and cultural analysis, challenging students to understand how categories of gender, sexuality, race, class, dis/ability, and citizenship shape not only their own lives but also the lives of people in their communities and around the world. The program's strength comes from the diversity of the perspectives it draws from, including faculty affiliates from 14 different disciplines as well as a deep engagement with communities and organizations in Houston.

The 18-hour minor consists of the following:

- I. 3 hours in Introduction to Women's Studies (WGSS 2350)
- II. 6 hours in approved Humanities studies advanced courses
- III. 6 hours in approved Social Science advanced courses
- IV. 3 hours of either an approved Humanities or Social Science advanced course

At least twelve (12) of the eighteen hours must be taken in residence. A minimum 2.00 grade point average is required for all courses in the minor. A maximum of six (6) hours approved transfer substitutes will be accepted toward the minor, and no more than six (6) semester hours in a student's major may apply to a minor in Women's Studies.

The interdisciplinary nature of this Minor requires that students not confine course work to any one department or college. WGSS is housed in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences and located in Agnes Arnold Hall (624 AH).

Individuals interested in a Minor in Women's Studies can come by the Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies Office, Room 624 Agnes Arnold Hall, or may contact the WGSS Advisors at 713-743-3214 or email wgss@uh.edu.

Current and future Women's Studies Catalogue Courses at the University of Houston

The following is a partial list of current catalogue courses that can be counted toward the Women's Studies minor. Please consult the WGSS website: www.friendsofwomen.org or the current list of approved courses, **updated each semester**.

Humanities:

ARTH 4393: Women Artists
COMM 3372: Gender and Media
CLAS 3374: Women in the Ancient World
ENGL 3318: British Novel since 1832
ENGL 3362: Women in Literature
ENGL 4341: Queer Theory
HIST 3351: Work & Family Life-Modern Europe
HIST 3394: Chicana History
HIST 3395: State & Society in the Middle East
HIST 4365: Witchcraft in the Old and New World
HIST 4395: East Asian Women
PHIL 3356: Feminist Philosophy
SPAN 3350: Women in Hispanic Literature
WGSS 3360: Sexuality and Queer Theory
WGSS 4350: Issues in Feminist Research

Social Science

ANTH 3347: Anthropology of Women
HLT 4302: Health Aspects of Human Sexuality
HLT 4306: Women's Health Issues
POLS 3390: Women in Politics
POLS 3368: Race, Gender and Ethnic Politics
PSYC 3331: Psychology of Gender
SOC 3321: African-American Family
SOC 3371: Sociology of the Family
SOC 3372: Mexican American Family
SOC 3390: Sociology of Gender