



Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies Major

All students must complete at least **32 credit hours** distributed across five groups of courses as follows:

1. Three core courses. Take at least 9 credits including:

- GSWS 205, "Introduction to Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies" (3 credits)
- GSWS 405, "Feminist Theory" (3 credits)
- Choose from the following 3 or 4 credit courses: GSWS 495/496: Interdisciplinary Honors (3 credits each) or GSWS 490: Senior Seminar (3 or 4 credits)

2. Gender and International Issues (GIN): One course with a focus on gender and international issues (outside of US/Canada/Great Britain): GSWS 291/391/491 or a course with a GIN attribute (3 or 4 credits)

3. Sexualities and Transgender Studies (LGBT): One course with a focus on LGBTQ issues: GSWS 292/392/492 or a course with LGBT attribute (3 or 4 credits)

4. Gender, Race, and Ethnicity (GRE): One course with a focus on gender and race/ethnicity issues: GSWS 293/393/493 or a course with GRE attribute (3 or 4 credits)

5. Approved electives (3-5 classes)

Students must take courses grounded in three different departments and cross-listed with GSWS.

PLEASE NOTE

- All courses must be selected in consultation with a Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies advisor. All courses taken outside Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies and used to fulfill credits towards the major must be approved by the student's advisor and the Curriculum Committee.
- If you take a course that is cross-listed with Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies but you register for it in the other department, you may count that course towards your Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies major without getting approval from the Curriculum Committee.
- No more than ten credits of introductory courses (excluding GSWS 205) and six credits of Independent Study may count toward the major.
- Some courses will have multiple attributes (for instance, both GIN and LGBT), but you may NOT double-count a single course to fulfill multiple attribute requirements.
- Successful completion of GSWS 405 satisfies the *major writing requirement*.

- ***The major computing requirement*** is satisfied by successful completion of GSWS 495/496 Interdisciplinary Honors, GSWS 490 Senior Seminar, by successful completion of any of the Computer Science courses designed for this requirement, or by petitioning Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies to substitute a course offered to meet the requirement by another department. Computing proficiency credits are not counted in the major's 32 hours or QPA, unless you are using GSWS 495/496 or GSWS 490 to fulfill the requirement.
- Students who are double majors may count no more than two courses as credit for both their primary and secondary major.

Below are examples of past courses that could fulfill each of the domain requirements. This list is not exhaustive and only includes courses that have been taught multiple times from 2015-2018.

Previous Courses that may count for the GIN requirement:

GSWS 150W	Gender, Violence, & Social Change
GSWS 312	Comparative Sociology
GSWS 316	20th C. Italian Women Writers
GSWS 321	Women in Africa & the Diaspora
GSWS 390	Women and Islam
GSWS 390A	Sex & Gender in Antiquity
GSWS 390A	Art & Gender in Middle Ages
GSWS 490	Gender and Sexuality in Latin America

Previous Courses that may count for the LGBT requirement:

COLL 100	Gender
GSWS 290	Intro to LGBTQIA Studies
GSWS 290	Sexuality in America
GSWS 332	Sex & Race in Plays & Films
GSWS 390A	Transgender Fictions
GSWS 390	LGBTQIA Past in the US
GSWS 390	Queer and Present Danger
GSWS 390	Civic Life of Transgender Studies
GSWS 490	Queer Theory

Previous Courses that may count for the GRE requirement:

GSWS 290	African American Family
GSWS 332	Sex & Race in Plays & Films
GSWS 390	Nation, Gender & Race South Asia
GSWS 390	Major African-American Women Writers
GSWS 390	Medicalized Citizenship
GSWS 490	Gender, Race & Power in Colonial VA
GSWS 490	Stereotypes and Prejudices

You may also petition the Curriculum Committee to fulfill any of the domain requirements with courses that are not currently cross-listed or that do not have the requisite course number or attribute designation.

GENDER, SEXUALITY, & WOMEN'S STUDIES MAJOR

Name: _____ Student 93 Number: _____

E-mail address: _____ Campus Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Current Academic Status: _____

Primary Major: _____ Expected Date of Graduation: _____

If applicable: Secondary Major: _____

Or Minor _____

(Note: a student with two majors may not declare a minor)

Department in which I would like to receive my diploma _____

Advisor's Name: _____ E-mail address: _____

1. Core Requirements

COURSE	TITLE	CR
GSWS 205	Intro to GSWS	
GSWS 405	Feminist Theory	4

2. Gender and International Issues (GIN)

COURSE	TITLE	CR

3. Sexualities and Transgender Studies (LGBT)

COURSE	TITLE	CR

4. Gender, Race, and Ethnicity (GRE)

COURSE	TITLE	CR

5. Electives

COURSE	TITLE	CR

Total Major Credits _____

Major Writing Requirement: GSWS 405

Major Computing Proficiency Requirement: _____

Approved by Advisor: _____ Date: _____

Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies Director _____

Date: _____