



## 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	3
GSWS 405	Feminist Theory	3

## 4. Gender, Race, and Ethnicity (GRE)

COURSE	TITLE	CR

## 2. Gender and International Issues (GIN)

COURSE	TITLE	CR

## 3. Sexualities and Transgender Studies (LGBT)

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: \_\_\_\_\_