

Women and Gender Studies Program Major Requirements

(effective April 2010, updated January 2013)

Students must complete a minimum of 36 approved WMST credit hours with a grade of C- or better, 24 credits of which must be upper division (3000 or 4000 level).

REQUIRED COURSES (12 credit hours)

- **WMST 2000:** Introduction to Feminist Studies
- **WMST 2600:** Gender, Race, and Class in a Global Context
- **WMST 3100:** Feminist Theories
- **WMST 4800:** Senior Colloquium in Feminist Studies – *Offered ONLY in spring semesters; Students graduating in the fall should take this course in the spring of their Junior year.*

Lower Division ELECTIVE COURSES (No more than 6 additional credit hours at the 1000-2000 levels)

Students may choose from any of the lower division courses listed below, or courses approved by the women and gender studies advisor and the department, that are not applied to courses listed either above or below.

WMST 2020: Femininities, Masculinities, Alternatives

WMST 2030/LGBT 2000: Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies

WMST 2050: Gender, Sexuality, and Popular Culture

WMST 2200: Women, Literature, and the Arts

WMST 2400: Women of Color and Activism

WMST 2700: Psychology of Contemporary American Women

LGBT 2707: Introduction to Lesbian, Bisexual, and Gay Literature

ENGL 1260: Introduction to Women's Literature

LING 2400: Language and Gender

WMST 1006: Social Construction of Sexuality OR **WMST 1016** Sex, Gender, and Society 1

UPPER-DIVISION COURSES (at least 18 credit hours; total credit hours must come to 36)

Students must take at least one course from each the following cognate areas: gender/sexuality; race/ethnicity; global/transnational. For the remaining 9 credits, students must take additional courses from these three cognate areas and/or the upper-division electives list. Please consult the women and gender studies advisor or the department for additional choices.

COGNATE AREAS

Gender/Sexuality (at least 3 credits)

LGBT 3796 Queer Theory

WMST 3046 Topics in Sex and Gender

WMST 3300 Gender, Sexuality and U.S. Law

WMST 4010/SOCY 4000 Gender, Genocide, and Mass Trauma

WMST 4016 Sex, Gender, and Society 2
WMST 4287/LGBT 4287 Studies in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Literature
WMST 4636 Lesbian and Gay History
WRTG 3020 Topics in Writing: Gender and Sexuality

Race/Ethnicity (at least 3 credits)

ETHN 3026 Women of Color: Chicanas in U.S. Society
WMST 3044 Race, Class, Gender, and Crime
WMST 3135 Chicana Feminisms and Knowledges
WMST 3210 American Indian Women
WMST 3311 Gender and U.S. Politics
WMST 3505 Historical and Contemporary Issues of African American Women
WMST 3600 Latinas: History, Culture, and Social Activism
WMST 3900 Asian American Women: Historical and Contemporary Issues
WMST 4331 Gender, Race, Class, and Sexuality in Popular Culture
WMST 4619 Women in Asian History

Global/Transnational (at least 3 credits)

WMST 3012 Women and Development
WMST 3220 Women in Islam
WMST 3500 Global Gender Issues
WMST 3650 Women and Politics in Latin America
WMST 3670 Immigrant Women in the Global Economy
WMST 3672 Gender and Global Economy
WMST 3730 Third World Women and the Politics of International Development
WMST 4300 Sex, Power, Politics: International Perspectives
WMST 4301 Gender, Race, and Immigration in Germany and Europe
WMST 4500 Gender Politics and Global Activism

UPPER-DIVISION ELECTIVES (no more than 9 credits)

WMST 3000 Gender, Work, and Public Policy
WMST 3016 Marriage and the Family in the United States
WMST 3020 Methods of Inquiry in Gender, Race, Class, and Sexuality
WMST 3090 Critical Thinking in Feminist Studies
WMST 3110 Feminist Practical Ethics
WMST 3200 Religion and Feminist Thought
WMST 3267 Women Writers
WMST 3302 Facilitating Peaceful Community Change
WMST 3314 Violence against Women and Girls
WMST 3601 German Women Writers
WMST 3800 Advanced Writing in Feminist Studies
WMST 4041 Women and Theatre of the 20th and 21st Centuries
WMST 4063 Women in Victorian England
WMST 4073 Performing Voices of Women
WMST 4086 Family and Society
WMST 4277 Topics in Women's Literature
WMST 4471 Women in 20th Century Russian Culture
WMST 4614 Women and Society in Industrial Europe
WMST 4616 History of Women in the U.S. to 1890
WMST 4626 History of Women in the U.S. since 1890

ARTH 3209 Art, Culture, and Gender Diversity: 1400-1600
ENGL 3217 Topics in Gender Studies
FILM 3013 Women and Film
HIST 3016 Seminar in the History of Gender and Science
ITAL 4730 Italian Feminisms: Culture, Theory, and Narratives of Difference

HONORS

Students may take up to 6 credits of honors hours in WMST; credits apply to upper-division electives in the major.

- **WMST 4950:** Honors Research (3 credit hours)
- **WMST 4999:** Senior Honors Thesis (1-3 credit hours)

INTERNSHIP

Students may take up to 6 credits of internship hours in WMST; credits apply to upper-division electives in the major.

- **WMST 3930:** Women and Gender Studies Internship

INDEPENDENT STUDY

Students may take up to 8 credit hours of Independent Study in WMST; credits apply to upper-division electives in the major.

- **WMST 4840:** Independent Study

TOPICS COURSES

Students may take up to 6 credit hours in WMST topics courses; course topics vary each semester. Ask the women and gender studies advisor or department about how each course applies to the major cognates.

- **WMST 3700:** Topics in U.S. Gender and Sexuality Studies
- **WMST 3710:** Topics in Global Gender and Sexuality Studies
- **WMST 4000:** Advanced Topics in Gender and Sexuality Studies