

# Gender and Women's Studies (GWS)

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## Courses

### GWS N1B Reading and Composition 3 Units

Training and instruction in expository writing in conjunction with reading literature. The readings and assignments will focus on themes and issues in women's studies.

#### Hours & Format

##### Summer:

6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

#### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies N1B

### GWS R1B Reading and Composition 4 Units

Training and instruction in expository writing in conjunction with reading literature. The readings and assignments will focus on themes and issues in gender and women's studies. This course satisfies the second half of the Reading and Composition requirement.

#### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week

#### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

### GWS 10 Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies 4 Units

Introduction to questions and concepts in gender and women's studies. Critical study of the formation of gender and its intersections with other relations of power, such as sexuality, racialization, class, religion, and age. Questions will be addressed within the context of a transnational world. Emphasis of the course will change depending on the instructor.

#### Rules & Requirements

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

#### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 4 hours of lecture per week

##### Summer:

6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

#### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 10

### GWS 14 Gender, Sexuality, and Race in Global Political Issues 4 Units

The production of gender, sexuality, and processes of racialization in contemporary global political issues. Topics and geographical foci may vary. Examples: the post-9-11 situation in the U.S. and U.S. wars in Afghanistan and Iraq; Hindu-Muslim conflict in India; the wars in the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda; the Israel/Palestine situation; global right-wing movements; state and social movement terrorisms and transnational "security" measures.

#### Rules & Requirements

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

#### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

#### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 14

**GWS 20 Introduction to Feminist Theory 4 Units**

Why study theory? How, and from where, does the desire to theorize gender emerge? What does theory do? What forms does theory take? What is the relationship between theory and social movements? This course will introduce students to one of the most exciting and dynamic areas of contemporary inquiry.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 4 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 10 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 20

**GWS 24 Freshman Seminars 1 Unit**

The Freshman and Sophomore Seminars program has been designed to provide new students with the opportunity to explore an intellectual topic with a faculty member in a small-seminar setting. Freshman seminars are offered in all campus departments, and topics vary from department to department and semester to semester. Enrollment limited to fifteen freshmen.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format****Fall and/or spring:**

8 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week

10 weeks - 1.5 hours of seminar per week

15 weeks - 1 hour of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 24

**GWS 40 Special Topics 3 Units**

The findings of feminist scholarship as they apply to a particular problem, field, or existing discipline. Designed primarily for lower division students and non-majors. Topics vary from semester to semester. Students should consult the Women's Studies announcement of courses for specific semester topics.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 40

**GWS 50AC Gender in American Culture 3 Units**

A multi-disciplinary course designed to provide students with an opportunity to work with faculty investigating the topic gender in American culture.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Requirements this course satisfies:** Satisfies the American Cultures requirement

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 50AC

**GWS 97 Internship 2 - 4 Units**

Internship Program: Field work in an organization concerned with women's issues plus individual conferences with faculty. Students must present a written scope of work to the supervising faculty members before enrolling. Credit earned depends on the amount of written work completed by students that interprets the experience through diaries, historical reports, and creative work done for the organization. Faculty supervisor and student must agree on assignments.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

8 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

10 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**GWS 98 Directed Group Study for Undergraduates 1 - 4 Units**

Seminars for the group study of selected topics not covered by regularly scheduled courses. Topics will vary from year to year.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Credit Restrictions:** Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 98

**GWS 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units**  
Individual research by lower division students only.**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Freshmen or sophomores only

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 2.5-10 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**GWS 100AC Women in American Culture 3 Units**

This course is designed to provide students with an opportunity to work with faculty investigating the topic women in American culture.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 100AC

**GWS 101 Doing Feminist Research 4 Units**

In this course, students will learn to do feminist research using techniques from the arts, humanities, social sciences, and sciences. The teaching of interdisciplinary research skills will focus on practices of gender in a particular domain such as labor, love, science, aesthetics, film, religion, politics, or kinship. Topics will vary depending on the instructor.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 10 and 20

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 101

**GWS 102 Transnational Feminism 4 Units**

An overview of transnational feminist theories and practices, which address the workings of power that shape our world, and women's practices of resistance within and beyond the U.S. The course engages with genealogies of transnational feminist theories, including analyses of women, gender, sexuality, "race," racism, ethnicity, class, nation; postcoloniality; international relations; post-"development"; globalization; area studies; and cultural studies.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 4 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 102

**GWS 103 Identities Across Difference 4 Units**

The course studies identity as a product of articulation and investigation of self and other, rather than an inherited marking. Emphasis, for example, may be placed on the complexities of the lived experiences of women of color in the United States and in diverse parts of the world.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 10

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 4 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 103

**GWS 104 Feminist Theory 4 Units**

Feminist theory examines the basic categories that structure social life and that condition dominant modes of thought. Feminist theory engages with many currents of thought such as liberalism, Marxism, psychoanalysis, postcolonial theory, and transnational feminist theory. In this course, students will gain a working knowledge of the range and uses of feminist theory.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 10 and 20

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 104

**GWS 111 Special Topics 1 - 4 Units**

This course is designed to provide students with an opportunity to work closely with Gender and Women's Studies faculty, investigating a topic of mutual interest in great depth. Emphasis is on student discussion and collaboration. Topics will vary from semester to semester. Number of units will vary depending on specific course, format, and requirements.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 2.5-7.5 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 1.5-6 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 111

**GWS 115 Engaged Scholarship in Women and Gender 4 Units**

This class provides students the opportunity to do supervised community service with an organization that relates to women and gender. Students will be placed in an organization and complete an internship throughout the course of the semester. Students will also spend time reflecting on their internship experiences, connecting their service with concepts learned in gender and women's studies classes, and meeting as a group to evaluate and assess issues such as volunteer/unpaid labor, activism and the academy, and the political economy of gender and women's services.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of internship per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 5 hours of lecture and 5.5 hours of internship per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**GWS 116AC Queer Theories: Activist Practices 4 Units**

This class will examine various forms of activist practices and create possibilities for students to participate in community projects that allow them to explore their own definitions of activism, community engagement, and social transformation. As a class, we will consider different types of interventions -- art, law, advocacy, and direct action -- and examine the limits and possibilities of these different forms of social engagement.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of internship per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of internship per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**GWS 120 The History of American Women 4 Units**

This course will survey the history of women in the United States from approximately 1890 to the present, a century of dramatic and fundamental change in the meaning of gender difference. We will examine such topics as work, the family, sexuality, and politics and be attentive to variations in the structure and experience of gender based on race, ethnicity, and class.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 120

**GWS 125 Women and Film 4 Units**

This course explores the role of women both in front of and behind the camera. It examines the socially constructed nature of gender representations in film and analyzes the position of women as related to the production and reception of films. Emphasis is on feminist approaches that challenge and expose the underlying working of patriarchy in cinema.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 10 and 20

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 125

**GWS 126 Film, Feminism, and the Avant-Garde 4 Units**

Focusing on the creative process while engaging in critical debates on politics, ethics, and aesthetics, the course explores the site where feminist film-making practice meets with and challenges the avant-garde tradition. It emphasizes works that question conventional notions of subjectivity, audience, and interpretation in relation to film making, film viewing, and the cinematic apparatus.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 126

**GWS 129 Bodies and Boundaries 4 Units**

Examines gender and embodiment in interdisciplinary transnational perspective. The human body as both a source of pleasure and as a site of coercion, which expresses individuality and reflects social worlds. Looks at bodies as gendered, raced, disabled/able-bodied, young or old, rich or poor, fat or thin, commodity or inalienable. Considers masculinity, women's bodies, sexuality, sports, clothing, bodies constrained, in leisure, at work, in nation-building, at war, and as feminist theory.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 129

**GWS 130AC Gender, Race, Nation, and Health 4 Units**

Examines the role of gender in health care status, in definitions and experiences of health, and in practices of medicine. Feminist perspectives on health care disparities, the medicalization of society, and transnational processes relating to health. Gender will be considered in dynamic interaction with race, ethnicity, sexuality, immigration status, religion, nation, age, and disability, and in both urban and rural settings.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Requirements this course satisfies:** Satisfies the American Cultures requirement

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** 130

**GWS 131 Gender and Science 4 Units**

Examines historical and contemporary scientific studies of gender, sexuality, class, nation, and race from late 18th century racial and gender classifications through the heyday of eugenics to today's genomics. Explores the embedding of the scientific study of gender and sexuality and race in different political, economic, and social contexts. Considers different theories for the historical underrepresentation of women and minorities in science, as well as potential solutions. Introduces students to feminist science studies, and discusses technologies of production, reproduction, and destruction that draw on as well as remake gender locally and globally.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**GWS 132AC Gender, Race, and Law 4 Units**

Focusing on the interconnected ways that race, gender, and sexuality are constructed through the law, this course will examine a wide range of historical texts, legal documents, literature, and critical theory. Throughout our course readings, we will be focusing on how these categories of difference inform legal constructions of nation, citizenship, immigration, masculinity, femininity, childhood, the public sphere, and everyday life. Throughout the course, we will be making connections between historical events and the contemporary moment through a consideration of interpretation and implications of legal arguments.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Requirements this course satisfies:** Satisfies the American Cultures requirement

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated a maximum of 1 times.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**GWS 133AC Women, Men, and Other Animals: Human Animality in American Cultures 4 Units**

Explores various ways that human groups and interests, particularly in the United States, have both attached and divorced themselves from other animals, with particular focus on gender, race, ability, and sexuality as the definitional foils for human engagements with animality.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**GWS 134 Gender and the Politics of Childhood 4 Units**

Explores gender and age as interrelated dimensions of social structure, meaning, identity, and embodiment. Emphasis on the gendered politics of childhood--for example, in the social regulation of reproduction; child-rearing, motherhood, fatherhood, care, and rights; the changing global political economy of childhoods and varied constructions of "the child"; child laborers, soldiers, street children; consumption by and for children; growing up in schools, neighborhoods, and families.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 134

**GWS 139 Women, Gender, and Work 4 Units**

This course uses gender as a lens to examine the nature, meaning, and organization of work. Students learn varied conceptual approaches with which to probe such issues as gender and race divisions of labor, the economic significance of caring and other forms of unpaid labor, earnings disparities between men and women, race and class differences in women's work, transnational labor immigration, and worker resistance and organizing.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

**GWS 140 Feminist Cultural Studies 4 Units**

This course introduces students to the interdisciplinary field of feminist cultural studies. Drawing upon contemporary theories of representational politics, the specific focus of the course will vary, but the emphasis will remain on the intersections of gender, race, nation, sexuality, and class in particular cultural and critical practices.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 140

**GWS 141 Interrogating Global Economic "Development" 4 Units**

An introduction to women and gender in "development." Addresses theories of "development" (modernization, demographic transition, dependency, world systems, post-development, postcolonial, and transnational feminist): productions and representations of "underdevelopment"; national and international "development" apparatuses; "development" practices about labor, population, resources, environment, literacy, technologies, media; and women's resistance and alternatives.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 141

**GWS 142 Women in the Muslim and Arab Worlds 4 Units**

Examines differences and similarities in women's lives in the Muslim/ Arab worlds, including diasporas in Europe and North America. Analysis of issues of gender in relation to "race," ethnicity, nation, religion, and culture.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**GWS 143 Women, Poverty, and Globalization 4 Units**

This course examines new patterns of inequality as they relate to the feminization of poverty in a global and transnational context. It will give students the opportunity to enhance their critical knowledge of new forms of globalization and their impact on the least-privileged group of women locally and globally. It also provides an opportunity for students to work with a local or global non-governmental or community organization with a focus on gender and poverty, and to engage in a systematic analysis of the strategies and practices of these organizations.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.



**GWS 144 Alternate Sexualities in a Transnational World 4 Units**

This course engages with contemporary narrations produced by and about lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transsexual postcolonial subjects through genres such as autobiography, fiction, academic writing, film, journalism, and poetry. Each semester the focus is geopolitically limited to no more than two countries to allow students to consider the conditions out of which the narrations are produced. Sites and subjects may vary from semester to semester.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 144

**GWS C146A Cultural Representations of Sexualities: Queer Literary Culture 4 Units**

This course examines modern literary cultures that construct ways of seeing diverse sexualities. Considering Western conventions of representation during the modern period, we will investigate the social forces and institutions that would be necessary to sustain a newly imagined or re-imagined sexual identity across time.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** LGBT C146A

**GWS C146B Cultural Representations of Sexualities: Queer Visual Culture 4 Units**

This course examines modern visual cultures that construct ways of seeing diverse sexualities. Considering Western conventions of representation during the modern period, we will investigate film, television, and video. How and when do "normative" and "queer" sexualities become visually defined?

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies C146

**Also listed as:** LGBT C146B

**GWS 155 Gender and Transnational Migration 4 Units**

What economic, social, and cultural forces impel women to migrate and shape their experiences as immigrants? How does gender, together with race/ethnicity and class, affect processes of settlement, community building, and incorporation into labor markets? This course examines gender structures and relations as they are reconfigured and maintained through immigration. It emphasizes the agency of immigrant women as they cope with change and claim their rights as citizens.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 155

**GWS 195 Gender and Women's Studies Senior Seminar 4 Units**

This seminar is required for all seniors majoring in gender and women's studies. The goal of the course is for students to produce a research paper of 25-30 pages that reflects feminist methods, interpretations, or analysis.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 101

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 195



**GWS H195 Gender and Women's Studies Senior Honors Thesis 4 Units**  
Entails writing a bachelor's honors thesis pertaining to the student's major in gender and women's studies. Each student will work under the guidance of a faculty adviser who will read and grade the thesis.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 15 upper division units in Gender and Women's Studies; 3.3 GPA in all University work and 3.3 GPA in courses in the major

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies H195

**GWS C196A UCDC Core Seminar 4 Units**

This course is the UCDC letter-graded core seminar for 4 units that complements the P/NP credited internship course UGIS C196B. Core seminars are designed to enhance the experience of and provide an intellectual framework for the student's internship. UCDC core seminars are taught in sections that cover various tracks such as the Congress, media, bureaucratic organizations and the Executive Branch, international relations, public policy and general un-themed original research.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** C196B (must be taken concurrently)

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 10 weeks - 4.5 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C196A/HISTORY C196A/MEDIAST C196A/  
POL SCI C196A/POLECON C196A/SOCIOL C196A/UGIS C196A

**GWS C196B UCDC Internship 6.5 Units**

This course provides a credited internship for all students enrolled in the UCDC and Cal in the Capital Programs. It must be taken in conjunction with the required academic core course C196A. C196B requires that students work 3-4 days per week as interns in settings selected to provide them with exposure to and experience in government, public policy, international affairs, media, the arts or other areas or relevance to their major fields of study.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** C196A (must be taken concurrently)

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 24-30 hours of internship per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C196B/HISTORY C196B/MEDIAST C196B/  
POL SCI C196B/POLECON C196B/SOCIOL C196B/UGIS C196B

**GWS C196W Special Field Research 10.5 Units**

Students work in selected internship programs approved in advance by the faculty coordinator and for which written contracts have been established between the sponsoring organization and the student. Students will be expected to produce two progress reports for their faculty coordinator during the course of the internship, as well as a final paper for the course consisting of at least 35 pages. Other restrictions apply; see faculty adviser.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for a maximum of 12 units. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 12 units.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar and 25 hours of internship per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 7.5 hours of seminar and 60 hours of internship per week  
8 weeks - 6 hours of seminar and 50 hours of internship per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** 196W

**Also listed as:** HISTART C196W/HISTORY C196W/MEDIAST C196W/  
POL SCI C196W/POLECON C196W/SOCIOL C196W/UGIS C196W

**GWS 197 Internship 2 - 4 Units**

Internship Program: Field work in an organization concerned with women's issues plus individual conferences with faculty. Students must present a written scope of work to the supervising faculty members before enrolling. Credit earned depends on the amount of written work completed by students that interprets the experience through diaries, historical reports, and creative work done for the organization. Faculty supervisor and student must agree on assignments.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

8 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

10 weeks - 10 hours of internship per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 197

**GWS 198 Directed Group Study for Advanced Undergraduates 1 - 4 Units**

Seminars for group study of selected topics not covered by regularly scheduled courses. Topics will vary from year to year.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Gender and women's studies major

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 198

**GWS 199 Supervised Independent Study for Advanced Undergraduates 1 - 4 Units**

Reading and conference with the instructor in a field that does not coincide with that of any regular course and is specific enough to enable students to write an essay based upon their studies.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Gender and women's studies major

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 199

**GWS 200 Theory and Critical Research 4 Units**

This course will provide an opportunity for the examination of diverse feminist theories produced in different disciplines and across disciplines. The course will ground contemporary philosophical and theoretical developments in the study of gender to specific histories of class, race, ethnicity, nation, and sexuality. Participants in the class will be urged to draw upon their own disciplinary and interdisciplinary backgrounds and interests to produce multifaceted analyses of how feminist theory has acted to delimit the study of women in some instances as well as how it may be used critically and imaginatively to open the field in complex and dynamic ways. Graduate students research and write a substantial (25-50 page) paper for the course. They will also participate in organizing and leading class discussion on a rotating basis.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor, 104, or the equivalent

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 2-3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 200

**GWS 210 Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies 4 Units**

A cross-disciplinary examination of specific problems in the study of gender, women, and sexuality. Topics will vary; for example, representations of motherhood, women in the public sphere, work and gender, globalization of gender, and the history of sexuality.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 104 or equivalent and consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 210

**GWS 220 Research Seminar 4 Units**

Members of the seminar will present their ongoing dissertation research and mutually explore the interdisciplinary dimensions and implications of their work.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Open to graduate students advanced to Ph.D. candidacy

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 220

**GWS 230 Transnational Feminist Theories 4 Units**

The aim of this course is to provide graduate students with an understanding of transnational feminist theories so that they may more effectively engage with this area of scholarship, but moreover so that they may critically and creatively contribute to it through their own writing.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**GWS 231 Proseminar in Transnational Gender and Women's Studies 1 Unit**

Designed to encourage dialogue around themes related to transnational gender and women's studies, this proseminar is organized around colloquia, panels, and conferences sponsored by the Department of Gender and Women's Studies, the Beatrice Bain Research Group, the Center for Race and Gender, the Center for the Study of Sexual Cultures, and (as relevant) other campus units.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1 hour of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

**GWS 232 Transnational Feminist Approaches to Knowledge Production 4 Units**

This course focuses on incorporating the analytic power of transnational feminist studies in academic research projects and practices. It examines the ways in which interdisciplinary and transnational approaches to gender and women replicate, challenge, reconfigure, and transform the emergence of new knowledge frames, analytics, and research practices. Students in this course will explore these and other questions in the context of their own research projects.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**GWS 236 Diaspora, Border, and Transnational Identities 4 Units**

This course will study debates around the notions of home, location, migrancy, mobility, and dislocation by focusing on issues of gender and sexuality. We will examine the ways in which various cultural flows have fundamentally challenged and changed the nature of global economy by expanding mobility of capital, labor, and systems of representations in a transnational context. We will also look at the impact of new technologies in production, distribution, communication, and circulation of cultural meanings and social identities by linking nationalism, immigration, diaspora, and globalization to the process of subject formation in a postcolonial context.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**GWS 237 Transnational Science, Technology, and New Media 4 Units**

This is a core class of the new Ph.D in Transnational Gender and Women's Studies. It will expose students to critical thinking about science, technology, and new media. The class explores intersections of gender and women's studies with science, technology, engineering, medicine, and new media around the world; including women in science; transnational feminist science and technology studies; technologies of reproduction, production and destruction; divisions of scientific and technical labor; embodiment and subjectivity; digital divides, digital consumption, embodiment, and circulation; modernist projects of categorization; and the making and breaking of gendered bodies. It mixes secondary sources with primary sources, and among the primary sources, mixes scientific and technical documents with new media and the arts.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**GWS 238 Feminist Bio-Politics 4 Units**

This course is divided into three sections, Theorists and Methods, The Sciences of Life, and Bio-and-Necro-politics, and within each section there are further thematic headings. The course serves both to introduce graduate students to science and technology studies and to introduce new works and directions in the field. The syllabus foregrounds the life and biomedical sciences, and thematizes space and trans-place, time and genealogy, disciplines and inter-disciplines, method and/as theory, identity and governance, ethics and objectivity, knowledge and stratification, security and transparency.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**GWS 250 Queer Translation 4 Units**

This seminar aims for both a familiarization and a potential reworking of selected contemporary debates in queer theory: those concerning migration, race, globalization, and movements of theory. How do queer theories, queer theories-as-practice, queer practices travel? Furthermore, do critiques of stability found in queer theory invite presumptions of mobility? We will interrogate the shadow of "mobility" in queer theory by considering queer tourism, gender identity, sub-class labor migration, and the outer zones of citizenship.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**GWS 299 Individual Study and Research 1 - 9 Units**

For students engaged in individual research and study. May not be substituted for available graduate lecture courses.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-9 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-17 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Gender and Women's Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Formerly known as:** Women's Studies 299