

Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies

Graduate Minor Requirements

Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies is an interdisciplinary program that examines the multiple roles gender plays in everyday life, the impacts of gendered practices on social, cultural, and political behavior and thought, and the intersections of gender, race, sexuality, ability, age, and class.

A Graduate Minor in WGSS supports interdisciplinary research and provides students with an understanding of the impact of gendered practices on social and cultural behavior and thought and a theoretical foundation for analyzing and responding to these gendered practices and their outcomes.

Required courses for the Graduate Minor in WGSS

As a student pursuing a graduate minor in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, you will be required to complete 12 hours of coursework, including the following:

WGSS Required Courses (6 Hours)

- **WGS 7150:** Seminar in Feminist and Gender Theory (3 Credit Hours)
- **WGS 7500:** Special Topics in Women's and Gender Studies (3 Credit Hours)
- **WGS 7900:** Independent Reading and Research (3 Credit Hours)

WGSS Approved Electives (6 hours)

All courses must be at the 4000 level or above. No more than 2 of these courses may be taken within the same department or with the same professor and no more than 1 course may be taken within the student's home department. The available electives for graduate students are continually changing and growing. Students should work with their advisory committee and the department to accurately select WGSS related electives. The most common electives are listed below (subject to change).

- ANTH 4909: Doing Oral History (3 Credit Hours)
- REL 4010: Religion and Food (3 Credit Hours)
- SOCL 4463: Gender and Crime (3 Credit Hours)
- SW 7406: Social Work with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender People (3 Credit Hours)
- WGS 4500: Special Topics in WGS (3 Credit Hours)

How can a Graduate Minor in WGSS benefit you?

There are many ways in which a graduate minor in WGSS can combine and enhance your current graduate degree when you enter the job market. If you are interested in finding out more about a 4-class graduate minor, please contact the Director of the Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program, **Dr. Benjamin Kahan**, dwgs@lsu.edu.

Stop by our office in 362 Hatcher Hall to learn more!