WOMEN'S STUDIES
WS

Program in Women, Gender and Social Justice
College of Arts and Letters

102 Navigating Sex and Gender in Everyday Life
Fall. 2(2-0) A student may earn a maximum of 4 credits in all enrollments for this course.
Survey of current topics related to women, gender, sexuality, and social justice. Diversity, global perspectives, contextualizing the individual within a complex world.

153 Introduction to Women Authors
Fall, Spring, Summer. 4(4-0) Interdepartmental with English. Administered by English.
Writings by women from various racial, socioeconomic and historical backgrounds. Women's choices of subject matter and style. Women's re-definition of literary genres.

201 Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies
Fall. Spring. Summer. 3(3-0)
Foundational knowledge, theories, methods in women's and gender studies and of women's experience historically and across the globe.

202 Introduction to Contemporary Feminisms and Gender Theories
Spring. 3(3-0) P: WS 201 RB: Or approval of program. R: Not open to freshmen.
Theories of feminism and gender from a variety of intellectual, political, cultural, religious, sexual, racial, ethnic, national, and global perspectives.

203 Introduction to Methods for Women's and Gender Studies Research
Fall of even years. 3(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement
Interdisciplinary research methods for global women's and gender studies.

225 Language and Gender
Fall. Spring. Summer. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Linguistics. Administered by Linguistics.
Gender and language in societies around the world. Issues such as status, power and politeness in monolingual and multilingual societies. The role of gender in language development, language variation and language change.

301 Sexual Violence Against Women and Children: Theory and Response
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: WS 201 or WS 202 or WS 203 R: Not open to freshmen.
Sexual violence against women and children from theoretical and applied perspectives. Rape, battering, incest and sexual harassment. Intersection of race, class, gender and violence. Individual and collective strategies to prevent or deter assault, race, class, gender and violence.

304 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) and Sexuality Studies
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Lyman Briggs and Residential College in the Arts and Humanities. Administered by Women's Studies. R: Not open to freshmen. SA: WS 204
Interdisciplinary study of the history, politics, theories, science, cultures, and communities of lesbian, gay, transgender, queer, and intersex people including a global perspective.

307 Women of Color Feminisms
Fall, Spring of odd years. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Residential College in the Arts and Humanities. Administered by Women's Studies. P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: WS 202
In-depth analysis of major topics and developments in women of color feminisms, intersectionality, critical race theories, decolonial feminisms, and transnational and translanguistic feminisms.

312 African American Women
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with History. Administered by History.
Black women in American history. Slavery, the work place, politics, and the Civil Rights movement.

313 Women in the United States to 1869
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with History. Administered by History.
United States history through the experiences of women. Gender, family, work, and political activism.

314 Women in the United States since 1869
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with History. Administered by History.
United States history through the experiences of women. Gender, family, work, and political activism.

316 Children's Exposure to Domestic Violence: Promoting Resiliency
Summer. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Psychology. Administered by Psychology. P: PSY 101 RB: WS 201 or WS 202 or WS 203
Prevalence, context and impact of domestic abuse on children. Strategies for promoting resiliency.

317 Sexual Assault: Context, Interventions and Prevention
Summer. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Psychology. Administered by Psychology. P: PSY 101 RB: WS 201 or WS 202 or WS 203 or WS 301

318 Gender-Based Violence Across the Lifespan
Summer. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Psychology. Administered by Psychology. P: PSY 101
Dynamics, risk factors, and community responses to gender-based violence across the lifespan.

339 Psychology of Women
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Psychology. Administered by Psychology. P: PSY 101 SA: PSY 239
Development and implications of sex-typed behavior and sex differences. Women's decisions about and experiences of menstruation, sexuality, motherhood, relationships, achievement, employment, retirement.

351 Gendered Violence and Intersections of Power
Summer. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Sociology. Administered by Women's Studies.
Gendered violence from an intersectional perspective. Ways intersecting social statuses such as race, class, and sexuality shape gendered experiences.

353 Readings in Women Writers
Fall. Spring. 3(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. Interdepartmental with English. Administered by English. P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement R: Not open to freshmen.
Extensive reading in texts by women, focused within a particular national tradition or period or within a particular genre. Critical responses to these texts. Feminist approaches to literature.

355 Readings in Sexuality and Literature
Fall. Spring. 3(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. Interdepartmental with English. Administered by English. P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: 3 credits of literature R: Not open to freshmen.
Extensive reading in literature drawing on gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer perspectives.

356 Philosophical Aspects of Feminism
Fall, Spring. 4(4-0) Interdepartmental with Philosophy. Administered by Philosophy. RB: One PHI course.
Conceptual and normative issues in feminist theory. Topics such as sexism, oppression, coercion, control, power, equality, personhood, respect and self-respect, rape, separatism, community, intimacy, and autonomy.

403 Women and Change in Developing Countries
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: WS 201 or WS 202 or WS 203 R: Not open to freshmen or sophomores.
Effects of economic, political, and social change on women in developing countries. Interrelationships of gender, class, race, and nationality.

404 Women and the Law in the United States
Fall of odd years, Spring of odd years. 3(3-0) RB: WS 201 or WS 202 or WS 203 R: Not open to freshmen or sophomores.
Law in the United States as a vehicle for structuring and maintaining women's social roles, and for social change.
412 Women in Modern European History
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with History. Administered by History. R: Not open to freshmen.
Women in European society, economy, and politics since 1750, emphasizing the lives of ordinary women and the impact of industrial capitalism and the nation-state.

413 Families in Historical Perspective
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with History. Administered by History. R: Not open to freshmen. Family forms and socio-economic change in Europe and the United States. Gender, childhood, courtship, sexual relations, marriage, divorce, childbearing, and old age in peasant, industrial, and postindustrial society. War, welfare state, and the family. The marginalized: vagrants, foundlings, immigrants, and single mothers.

420 History of Sexuality since the 18th Century
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with History. Administered by History. R: Not open to freshmen. Changing gender roles, sex in the Victorian era, prostitution, pornography, birth control, emergence of homo- and heterosexuality, sex under fascism, the sexual revolution, contemporary conflicts.

424 Seminar in Queer Studies
Spring. 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: (WS 304 or approval of department) and Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement R: Open to undergraduate students. Advanced topics in queer studies. In-depth analysis of major topics and developments in queer studies, queer theory, or related interdisciplinary studies in sexuality.

425 Gender, Sexuality, Crime and Justice
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Criminal Justice. Administered by Criminal Justice. RB: CJ 220 or WS 201 R: Open to juniors or seniors. Theories on how gender and sexuality explain victimization and crime. How gender and sexuality shape experiences as victims, offenders, and criminal justice employees. Intersectionality with race and class. Laws and their effects on rights based on gender and sexuality in the criminal justice system.

448 Seminar in Gender and Literature
Spring. 3(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. Interdepartmental with English. Administered by English. P: (ENG 360 or ENG 362 or ENG 364 or ENG 368) or (WS 202 or WS 304 or approval of department) R: Open to juniors or seniors in the Department of English or in the Women, Gender and Social Justice Specialization or approval of department. Advanced analysis in literary works within the context of sexual differences or sexuality studies. May include women writers, feminism, masculinity studies, gay, lesbian, or transgender studies. Topics vary.

452 Studies in Film, Gender, and Sexuality
Fall. 3(3-2) Interdepartmental with Film Studies. Administered by Film Studies. P: FLM 230 RB: FLM 300 or FLM 380 or FLM 381 SA: ENG 431C Study of films by women and about women, gender, masculinity, or sexuality.