

WOMEN'S, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY STUDIES, B.A.

Student Learning Goals

1. To explain how gender is produced within social institutions and how these institutions affect individual lives.
2. To discuss histories of feminism as a social movement and feminist theories of social transformation.
3. To explain theories of embodiment, such as how bodies are constituted within social and biological discourses, or the relationship between embodiment and subjectivity, consciousness, and agency.
4. To critique how hegemonic feminism includes and/or excludes different theoretical perspectives, such as theories of racial formation and theories of sexuality.
5. To analyze the mutual constitution of gender, race, ethnicity, class, sexuality, nationality, and religion.
6. To explain gender, race, ethnicity, class, sexuality, nationality, and religion from the perspective of postcolonial and transnational frameworks of analysis.
7. To identify how feminist theories are constructed and enacted both inside and outside of the classroom.
8. To identify the intellectual paradigms and political perspectives of different modes of knowledge production or interdisciplinary methodologies.
9. To analyze scholarship and a variety of media in order to create original arguments in writing.
10. To apply different modes of feminist praxis, such as fieldwork, performance, or research.

Overall Requirements

- 120 credit hours, to include at least 36 credits at or above the 300 course level.
- Minimum 30 credits above the 100 level.
- Students must earn a grade of at least C- in all courses required for the major.

Degree Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
University Requirements (https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-requirements/undergraduate-degrees-and-degree-requirements/)		
General Education Requirements (MAC) (https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-requirements/general-education-program/#generaleducationcorerequirementstext)		
College of Arts and Sciences Additional Requirements (CIC) (https://catalog.uncg.edu/arts-sciences/#additionalundergraduaterequirementstext)		

Major Requirements

Elective course section must carry the WGS marker in the given semester. This list is not comprehensive as additional courses may appear on the Course Schedule that will carry the WGS marker and may thus count toward major or minor requirements. Some sections of these

courses might not carry the WGS marker in any given semester; check the Course Schedule for the list of courses that count for WGS credit during the current semester.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Requirements		15
WGS 250	An Introduction to Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies	
WGS 270	Introduction to LGBTQI Studies	
WGS 333 or WGS 334	Postcolonial and Transnational Feminisms or Latin American and Latinx Feminist and Queer Thought	
WGS 350	Introduction to Feminist Theories	
WGS 490	Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies Senior Capstone Course	
Electives		15
<i>Select 15 credits of approved courses from the following: *</i>		
BLS 348	Representing Women	
BLS 386	Women, War, and Terror	
ELC 381		
ENG 331	Women in Literature	
ENG 332	English Women Writers before 1800	
ENG 376	African American Writers after the 1920s	
HIS 328	U.S. Women's History to 1865	
HIS 329	U.S. Women's History Since 1865	
HIS 342	Gender, Sex, and Health in the 20th Century US	
PSC 336	Women and the Law	
WGS 280	Women's Health and Bodies	
WGS 329	Sociological Perspectives on Gender	
WGS 419	Gender, Crime, and Deviance	
WGS 450	Topics Seminar in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies	
WGS 490	Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies Senior Capstone Course	
WGS 400	Independent Study **	

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Special topics courses or sections with central focus on women and gender may be approved by the Director of WGS for elective credit.

** Course may be taken for only 6 credit hours toward the WGSS major.

Electives

Electives should be sufficient to complete the 120 credit hours required for the degree.

Disciplinary Honors in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

Requirements

- A minimum of 12 credit hours as defined below.
- UNC Greensboro cumulative GPA of 3.30 or better or, for transfer students, cumulative GPA of 3.30 or better from all prior institutions.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required		3
HSS 490	Senior Honors Project	
	or WGS 493 Honors Work	
6 credit hours of Women's and Gender Studies course work *		6
3 credits of Honors course work in the major		3

* May be any combination of Contract courses and/or 400-level Women's and Gender Studies courses

Recognition

Receive a Certificate of Disciplinary Honors in Women's and Gender Studies; have that accomplishment, along with the title of the Senior Honors Project, noted on the official transcript; and be recognized at a banquet held at the end of the spring semester.

Honors Advisor

Contact Danielle Bouchard at dmboucha@uncg.edu for further information and guidance about Honors in Women's and Gender Studies. To apply: <http://honorscollege.uncg.edu/forms/disc-application.pdf>

Accelerated B.A. to M.A.

Application and Admission

Undergraduate students at UNC Greensboro may apply for admission to the Accelerated Master's Program in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. A cumulative undergraduate GPA of at least 3.5, based on at least 30 credit hours earned at UNC Greensboro is required. Applicants must have completed at least 60 credits and may not apply for admission to the AMP before the first semester of the junior year.

All applicants must complete the Accelerated Master's Program information as part of the application for admission to the M.A. program.

Standardized entrance exams (GRE or MAT) are optional for AMP students, although they may be useful in future applications for graduate fellowships.

Applications to the Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies program require the following additional items: a statement of purpose; an academic writing sample; and a resume.

Courses

The M.A. degree requires 36 credit hours of graduate-level course work. AMP students may apply a maximum of 12 credits of graduate-level course work toward completion of both the undergraduate and the graduate degrees, provided that they earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in each graduate course and fulfill graduate-level requirements. No more than 9 credits at the 500 level may be counted toward the M.A. degree. Please see the University Catalog for a full description of the M.A. degree requirements.

The following courses may be counted toward both the B.A. and the M.A. degrees. All courses leading to the completion of the M.A. degree must be approved by the WGS Graduate Program Director.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
WGS 650	Feminist Theory: Intersections of Gender, Race and Class	3
WGS 651	Feminist Research Analysis	3
Select up to two courses from the following: *		6
WGS 530		
CST 621	African American Culture and Identity	
ENG 688	Women's Rhetoric and Feminist Pedagogy	
HIS 551	Gender and History: Selected Topics	

* In consultation with the Graduate Advisor.