

# WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES (WGS)

## WGS 101 INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES

3, 3/0; DI23

Gender as a social construction that influences women and men and intersects with other social categories. Introduction to feminist theories. How gender affects childhood experiences, education, employment, family, bodies, and violence. Portrayal of gender in art, literature, and media. Gender in the social and natural sciences. Current issues related to women and gender. Offered Every Semester.

## WGS 189 TOPIC COURSE

1-3, 0/0

Current topics in women and gender studies. Offered occasionally.

## WGS 201 INTRODUCTION TO LGBTQAI2+ STUDIES

3, 3/0; DI23

Interdisciplinary introduction to lesbian, bisexual, gay, transgender, queer, asexual, intersex, 2-spirited, + studies. Develop an understanding of social, cultural, and historical constructions of and intersections between these identities and communities. Explore these concepts through film, television, literature, history, ethnography, archival materials, law, medicine, education, religion, psychology and sociology. Offered every spring.

## WGS 212 FEMINIST THEORY

3, 3/0

Background in feminist social theory and changes in feminism over time. Introduction to theoretical analysis from a feminist perspective. Offered Every Semester.  
Equivalent Course: SOC 212

## WGS 326 BLACK FEMINIST THOUGHT

3, 3/0

This course provides an introduction to Black feminist thought from the 19th century through the present. Topics include the origins and development of intersectional thinking, intersectionality in contemporary social thought, and critical race theory. The course draws from multiple academic disciplines, public intellectualism, and activist work. Offered occasionally.

Equivalent Courses: AAS 326, SOC 326

## WGS 389 TOPIC COURSE

3, 0/0

Current advanced topics in women and gender studies. Offered occasionally.

## WGS 488 INTERNSHIP

1-12, 3/0

Prerequisite: Approval of the faculty supervisor. Supervised field experience in a variety of settings to supplement classroom instruction. Offered Every Semester.

## WGS 495 SPECIAL PROJECT

1-3, 0/0

Prerequisite: Faculty supervisor permission. Research conducted under the supervision of a faculty member. Offered Every Semester.

## WGS 499 INDEPENDENT STUDY

3-12, 0/0

Prerequisite: Faculty adviser permission. Offered Every Semester.