Gender Studies

Gender Studies developed from the desire to investigate the numerous ways gender shapes bodies, identities, interactions, language, knowledge, institutions, and the world around us. Gender Studies is interdisciplinary and cross-cultural by design, incorporating insights from the social sciences, humanities, arts, and natural sciences. Drawing on the conceptual, theoretical, and methodological tools of these diverse disciplines, Gender Studies explores the relationships between gender and other categories of difference such as race, class, sexuality, nation, religion, ability, and species. Essential to the program are efforts to examine the production of knowledge, interrogate systems of power, privilege, and inequality, as well as explore the individual and collective forms of resistance and social activism that occur to bring about social justice. Gender Studies offer students not only a diverse set of perspectives and skills but also the initiative to eradicate social inequality from the local to transnational.

Gender Studies Minor

SO 200	Introduction to Gender Studies	3
SO 300	Introduction to Feminist Theories	3
SO 310	Sociology of Sex, Gender, and Sexuality	3
Independent Study in Gender Studies		1
SO 445	Independent Study	
Select 3 electives:		9
BN 360	Business & Society	
CJ 365	Diversity and the Criminal Justice System	
CJ 380	Sex Offenders	
CJ 422	Women and Crime	
ED 379	Human Relations	
EN 112	Writing And Gender Studies	
EN 180	Introduction to Literature and Gender	
EN 181	Introduction to LGBTQ Literature	
GS 114	Women In the Third World	
GS 115	Women's Health	
GS 195	Men's Health	
HI 306	20th Century American History of Race and Gender	
PS 214	Psychology of the Middle School Student	
or PS 215	Adolescent Psychology	
PS 390	Critical Perspectives in Sport and Physical Activity	
SO 202	Marriage and Family	
SO 235	Social Inequalities	
SO 330	Global Race Relations	
SW 250	Human Sexuality	
SW 265	Diversity in America	
Total Hours		19

Academic Requirements

Of the 3 electives, 2 must be a 200 designation or higher and they must all be from different programs. No more than one course from other institutions or study abroad programs may be transferred toward the minor. Minors are encouraged to include a gender-related Winter term course in their course of study. Students must earn at least a C in all courses applied to the minor.