Social and Cultural Analysis (Women and Gender Studies), BA

The women and gender studies concentration provides in-depth study of societal and historical structures that shape gender, identity, opportunity and behavior. Broad examination of feminist theory seeks to understand women's status and influence on society. Graduates become vital assets in civil rights organizations, NGOs, and in the political and corporate sectors.

Program Description

The BA in social and cultural analysis with a concentration in women and gender studies offers students a transdisciplinary curriculum that focuses on the diverse experiences of women in both national and international contexts. The program also examines the meaning of gender as a socially constructed category that shapes personal identities, beliefs, opportunities and behaviors. The wide range of classes explores the intersections of gender, race, class and sexuality; the institutional structures that have an impact on women's and men's lives; and the broad range of feminist theories that seek to explain and influence women's status in society. Areas of emphasis include gender and sexuality, critical race feminisms, gender and the borderlands, transnational feminisms, social activism and social movements, histories of feminism and critical embodiment studies.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program at the following location: West campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150 percent of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees. See more information and eligibility requirements on the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** West campus


Required Courses (Major Map)

2018 - 2019 Major Map
Major Map (Archives)

Accelerated Degrees

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

Social Justice and Human Rights, MA

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students will be advised by their academic departments to apply.

Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors. Students should see https://students.asu.edu/changingmajors for information about how to change the major to this program.

Transfer Agreements

ASU has partnered with colleges and universities in Arizona, California, Illinois and Washington to provide transfer curriculum pathways. Students should select their current institution to see if there is a partnership agreement between the institution and ASU for this degree program. Students who do not see their state or institution listed should check back as ASU is always working on creating new partnerships.
### Global Opportunities

#### Global Experience

With over 250 programs in more than 65 countries (ranging from one week to one year), study abroad is possible for all ASU students wishing to gain global skills and knowledge in preparation for a 21st century career. Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while staying on track for graduation, and may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. [https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/](https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/).
Career Opportunities

Graduates of this program are prepared with the skills and knowledge necessary for graduate work as well as careers in government, education, business and nonprofit organizations. Due to the emphasis on culture and identity, students develop respect for and sensitivity to diverse populations. Graduates flourish in areas as varied as:

- civil rights organizations
- colleges and universities
- corporations
- government agencies
- law firms
- libraries
- museums
- nongovernmental organizations (NGOs)
- Peace Corps
- political action groups
- public relation firms
- research organizations
- social service agencies

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).
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