Women and Gender Studies, **Minor**

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Are you interested in promoting equality among genders? Do you want to know more about the issues women face around the world? In this program, you learn to think critically about contemporary issues of gender equality and gain the necessary skills to transform them.

**Description**

In the minor program in women and gender studies, students complete a variety of courses that explore how gender and sexuality both impact and are affected by societies as a whole from around the world. The curriculum leads students to explore ideas about gender from an interdisciplinary perspective, to learn about social structures for different genders, and understand how these have been transformed by feminist theory and gender equality.

This minor also explores prominent contemporary issues through the lenses of sexuality, race and religion.

Original undergraduate research is encouraged and some course options may involve studying community problems and formulating policy solutions. Students have the option to include a capstone seminar requiring original research or an internship that prepares students for life after college through real-world experience.

**At a Glance**

- **College/School:** The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus or online

**Program Requirements**
The women and gender studies minor consists of 18 credit hours, of which at least 12 must be upper-division. A minimum grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) is required for all courses in the minor.

**Required Core Course -- 3 credit hours**

WST 100: Women, Gender, and Society (SB & C) or WST 300: Women and Gender in Contemporary Society (SB & C) (3)

**Elective Core Courses (choose one) -- 3 credit hours**

WST 377: History of American Feminist Thought (H & C) (3)
WST 378: Global Feminist Theory (L & G) (3)
WST 380: Race, Gender, and Class (SB & C) (3)

**Electives -- 12 credit hours**

WST Elective (3)
WST Upper Division Elective (9)

Depending on a student's undergraduate program of study, prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this minor.

**Enrollment Requirements**

**GPA Requirement:** None

**Incompatible Majors:** BA in social and cultural analysis (women and gender studies); BS and BA in women and gender studies

**Other Enrollment Requirements:** None

Current ASU undergraduate students may pursue a minor and have it recognized on their ASU transcript at graduation. Students interested in pursuing a minor should consult their academic advisor to declare the minor and to ensure that an appropriate set of courses is taken. Minor requirements appear on the degree audit once the minor is added. Certain major and minor combinations may be deemed inappropriate by the college or department of either the major program or the minor. Courses taken for the minor may not count toward both the major and the minor. Students should contact their academic advisor for more information.

**Attend Online**

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program description and request more information [here](#).
Career Opportunities

A minor can help students enhance the marketable skills they acquire in their major program and help them develop new skills apart from it, though most career areas do require more training than a minor alone can provide.

Graduates with the knowledge and skills acquired through the minor in women and gender studies can bring social justice concerns to a variety of professional careers, including law, education, public service, and human welfare and social work.

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