

Basic Certificate in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

The Basic Certificate in Women's Studies is designed for individuals **who are not already enrolled at SDSU**. It offers an opportunity for adults to increase their understanding of women and gender in society and culture, and learn about the ways that women and others have lived, worked, thought, resisted, created knowledge, and engaged in cultural activism. The Certificate is offered through the SDSU Open University, which is part of the SDSU World Campus. Register for courses and pay fees [through Global Campus](https://ces.sdsu.edu) (ces.sdsu.edu). In Fall 2025, [Open University fees](#) are \$319 per unit for undergraduate courses.

Core Curriculum

The basic requirement for a certificate is any **FOUR** Women's Studies courses at the 300- or 500-level (total of 12 units). These can be taken at whatever pace, in whatever order, and what works best for you. Courses can be in-person or online, or a combination of both. The certificate allows each individual to personalize their coursework. See our department [website](https://womensstudies.sdsu.edu) (womensstudies.sdsu.edu) for a complete list of courses. The courses offered in a given term can be found through the [online class schedule](#). Additional information about the SDSU Women's Studies Department can be found in the [SDSU General Catalog](#).

Below are some highlighted **online options** that are being taught for this upcoming academic year 2023-2024.

- 325 Psychology of Women (*Fall 2025/Spring 2026/Summer 2026*)
- 340 The History of Women & Sex in Europe (*Fall 2025/Spring 2026*)
- 355 Feminist Approaches to Popular Culture (*Fall 2025/Spring 2026*)
- 382 Gender, Science, and Technology (*Spring 2026*)

Easy Enrollment

1. Email calwomenstudies@sdsu.edu to let us know you are interested. Include the following information in your email:
 - Name
 - Highest degree earned, and from where
 - Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies courses of interests
2. Complete four 300-500 level courses (12 units).
3. Complete a certificate request form to the SDSU Global Campus for certificate. Email calwomenstudies@sdsu.edu the courses you have completed.

For more details, please visit our website at womensstudies.sdsu.edu/programs/certificates

Or email calwomenstudies@sdsu.edu

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