Checklist for Women’s Studies

MAJOR (2020-2021)
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Women’s Studies majors must take at least 12 WS classes: 2 lower division courses (6 units) & 10 upper division courses (30 units), including: 4 courses at the 300-level; 4 courses at the 500-level; & the required WS536 and WS590.

Preparation for Major
Take 2 out of 3 lower division courses:
  WS101: Women: Self, Identity, and Society
  WS102: Women: Images and Ideas
  WS103: Women and Global Justice

Minor or Double Major

Foreign Language Requirement
Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement
(Pass WPA or take W course; Incoming Transfer Students must take upperdivision writing course)

Group I: 12 units (4 courses)
WS 310 Global Cultures & Women’s Lives
WS 320 Socialization of Women
WS 325 Psychology of Women
WS 331 Women in Asian Societies
WS 336 Women of Color in the US
WS 340 History of Women & Sexuality in Modern Europe
WS 341A, 341B Women in American History
WS 352 Women in Literature
WS 355 Feminist Approaches to Popular Culture
WS 360 Women’s Sexuality & the Body
WS 370 Women, Law, & Policy
WS 375 Sex, Power, & Politics
WS 382 Gender, Science & Technology
*AFRAS 332

*CCS 340A Gender, Sex, & Politics in Col. Mex.
*LGBT 321 LGBT Identities in the Mod. World
*LGBT 322 LGBT History & Culture
*POL 336
*RELS 370 Goddess Studies

*No more than 1 class from an another department may be applied to the major.
**WS classes can be used for BOTH the Major & the Explorations GE requirement

Group II: 12 units (4 courses)
WS 512 Latinas in the Americas
WS 515 Women: Myth, Ritual, and the Sacred
WS 520 Reproductive Rights and Justice
WS 522 Women: Madness and Sanity
WS 530 Women’s Movements and Activism
                          (may be taken more than once)
WS 533~ Trans Feminisms
WS 535 Lesbian Lives and Cultures
WS 544~ Queer Theory
WS 552~ Feminist Approaches to Film
WS 560 Women in Muslim Societies
WS 565 Women: Health, Healing, and Medicine
WS 570 Gender, War, and Peace
WS 572 Women and Violence
WS 575~ Digital & Networked Feminisms
WS 580 Women, Development, & the Global Economy
WS 581 Women’s Experiences of Migration
WS 582 Feminist Science & Activism
WS 585 Local Feminist Activism & Organizations
WS 596 Topics in Women’s Studies
WS 598 Women’s Studies Internship
GENS 480 Civic Engagement (when taught by a WS professor & with advisor’s approval)
~Coming soon

All majors must ALSO take:
WS 590 Feminist Thought (in fall) AND
WS 536 Gender, Race, & Class (in spring)

As part of Group II requirements, all WS Majors must complete an internship (WS598 or GENS480) OR an approved International Experience. For more information, please talk to the undergraduate advisor.