

WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

Mission

The UNO Women's and Gender Studies Program offers individuals and communities paths to transformation and empowerment through the collaborative work of students and faculty, who together study and explore all women's lives and all constructions of gender across time, place, and culture, using a feminist and/or queer lens. Our interdisciplinary faculty teach a curriculum that emphasizes the intersections of gender, race/ethnicity, nationality, socioeconomic class, ability levels, sexuality, and additional dimensions of difference.

We envision a world in which differences offer paths to meaningful and fulfilling contributions. Our program employs the tools of different disciplines, including communication, arts and humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and history. Graduating students are prepared for many opportunities beyond graduation.

Description

Women's and Gender Studies is a liberal arts degree that prepares students for a wide variety of career and avocational paths. Majors or minors find employment in a variety of areas, choosing to work in advocacy or social services-related positions, community development, large and small business, and government.

Other Information

All coursework taken for the Women's and Gender Studies major or minor must be completed with a grade of "C-" or better.

All coursework taken for the LGBTQ-Sexuality Studies minor must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

Please be advised that students who elect to complete both the WGST minor and LGBTQ-Sexuality Studies minor may count no more than two upper-division courses toward the completion of both minors.

Special Requirements

Courses presented for credit toward the minor or major must have been taught by a member of the Women's and Gender Studies faculty. Students should select WGST electives in consultation with their major adviser.

Residency

Students may transfer in no more than 9 credits earned at other institutions to the WGS minor and no more than 15 credits earned at other institutions to the WGS major.

Student Groups

Iota Iota Iota (Triota) is a club and honorary society that recognizes excellence in Women's and Gender Studies. Membership is available to any student who has completed two introductory courses in Women's and Gender Studies and has a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0. In addition, students majoring or minoring in Women's and Gender Studies can be involved with campus organizations such as the Women's and Gender Equity Resource Center, and the Queer and Trans Services.

Contact

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Website (<http://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-arts-and-sciences/womens-and-gender-studies/>)

Degree Offered

- Women's and Gender Studies, Bachelor of Arts (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/womens-gender-studies-program/womens-gender-studies-ba/>)

Minor Offered

- Women's and Gender Studies Minor (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/womens-gender-studies-program/womens-gender-studies-minor/>)
- LGBTQ/Sexuality Studies Minor (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/womens-gender-studies-program/lgbtq-sexuality-studies-minor/>)

Women, gender, and sexuality studies majors may find employment in a variety of areas depending on their skills and experience. Some of our majors pursue post-baccalaureate training in medicine, law, education, and other graduate programs. Others choose employment directly after graduation, following career paths in advocacy or social services-related positions, community development, business, and government. Some career-path examples include:

Business

- Human Resources Manager
- Financial Planner
- Business Manager
- Office Manager
- Convention/Event Planner

Education

- K-12 School Teacher (with additional certification)
- Childcare Center Lead Teacher

Health

- Community Health Outreach Worker
- Community Health Advocate
- Public Health Coordinator
- Health Services Project Administrator

Law

- Victim Assistance Case Manager
- Mediator

Media/Publications

- Magazine Freelance Writer/Researcher
- Independent Film Maker/Producer
- Editor
- Social Media Specialist
- Film Publicist
- Production Artist

Social and Public Service

- Counseling Services Director
- Training Coordinator
- Rape Crisis Center/Community Education Coordinator
- Women's Crisis Support Center Community Educator
- Girl Scouts of America Program Officer

- Food Bank Program Manager
- Community Service Agency Case Manager
- Community Service Resource Navigator
- Grant Writer