

## Women's Studies

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### **Bachelor of Arts in Women's Studies**

This major provides an opportunity to study the historical, political, economic, literary, social, and cultural roles of women and of the function of gender in diverse societies and cultures. The courses are coordinated by the Women's Studies Center, and are open to women and men alike. This field of study explores bias throughout society- in the workplace, in school, and at home. Equal

importance is given to the commitment to discover and teach ideas and knowledge about global concerns, nationality, race, ethnicity, class, age, and sexual orientation. Students may formulate a program of study consonant with their interests and goals. The major is an excellent preparation for graduate study in most fields and for careers in both the public and private sectors. A background in women's studies develops critical skills and offers new knowledge to meet the challenges of alterations in society and of expanding opportunities.

All students entering the major program in Spring 2004 will have to fulfill the requirements for the new core concentration. All students admitted as majors before the Spring 2004 semester will need to fulfill the old core concentration requirements.

For further information and/or to seek academic advising for the women's studies major, visit the Women's Studies Center in DM-212 or call (305) 348-2408 or send email to: wstudies@fiu.edu. At Biscayne Bay Campus, students may inquire at ACI 318 or call (305) 919-5859. We welcome your inquiry.

### **Lower Division Preparation**

To qualify for admission to the program, FIU undergraduates must have met all the lower division requirements including CLAST or its equivalent, completed 60 semester hours, and be otherwise acceptable into the program.

### **Upper Division Program**

The major requires 30 hours of upper division course work. Students who elect to major in women's studies are required to declare a minor in another area of concentration (courses may overlap). Students who choose to declare a double major are exempt from the minor requirement. The major requires a core concentration of four courses and six electives for a total of 10 courses. Any core concentration course that is not taken for the core requirement may be taken as an elective. Refer to full course descriptions in the appropriate departmental listings of this catalog.

All students entering the major in Fall 2000 or later must take one course in the major that develops computer competency and one that develops oral competency. Courses that fulfill these requirements will be noted in each semester's Women's Studies course flyer. These courses will constitute part of the 30-credit requirement, and they may be core courses or electives.

Genre and topic courses are offered regularly and new courses are periodically added to the curriculum. The elective selection may include one course on ethnicity, class or race that is not specifically a women's studies course. Student programs are coordinated with designated faculty advisors. The program also offers an academic certificate in women's studies. For further information refer to the certificate page at the end of the College of Arts and Sciences section.

### **Upper Division Requirements**

Core Concentration: (Four courses; twelve hours/one course from each of the following four categories)

<b>I.</b>		
WST 3015	Introduction to Women's Studies	3
	<b>or</b>	
WST3641/IDS4920	Gay and Lesbian in the US	3
	<b>or</b>	

PHM 4123	Philosophy and Feminism	3		Collins & M. Braddon
<b>II.</b>				
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women	3	LIN 4651	Gender and Language
	<b>or</b>		LIT 3170	Jewish Literature: Fiction of the Jewish Immigrant Experience
SYD 3810	Sociology of Gender	3	LIT 3383	Women in Literature
	<b>or</b>		LIT 3384	Caribbean Women Writers
ECS 3021	Women Culture and Economic Development	3	LIT 3930	Sp. Topics: Women of the African Diaspora
			LIT 4001	Modern Poetry-Plath & Rich
<b>III.</b>				
ANT 3302	Anthropology of Sex and Gender	3	LIT 4351	Major Af. Writers: African Fiction and Film: Women's Voices
	<b>or</b>			
AMH 3560	History of Women in the U.S.	3	LIT 4382	Women in East Europe
	<b>or</b>		LIT 4930	Special Topics: Queen Elizabeth and Her Representations
EUH 4313	History of Modern Spain from a Gender Perspective	3	LIT 4931	Special Topics in Women's Literature
<b>IV.</b>				
REL 3145	Women and Religion	3	LIT 5934	Spec Topic: Women Writers of the African Diaspora
	<b>or</b>			
LIT 3383	Women in Literature ( <i>or any English elective listed below</i> )	3	<b>History:</b>	
	<b>or</b>		AMH 3560	History of Women in the United States
WST 4504	Feminist Theory	3	AMH 4561	Early American Women's History
			AMH 4562	Modern American Women's History
			AMH 4930	Topics in US History: Early American Women's History
			AMH 5905	Readings in Am. History: Women and Gender in the U.S.
<b>Electives in Women's Studies</b>				
(Six courses: 18 hours; all are 3 credit hours)				
<b>Women's Studies:</b>				
WST 3015	Introduction to Women's Studies		ASH 4384	History of Women in Asia
WST 3641	Gay and Lesbian in the U.S.		EUH 3181	Medieval Culture
WST 4504	Feminist Theory		EUH 3576	Russian Revolution/Soviet Union: Gender, Politics & Society
WST 4905	Independent Study		EUH 4025	Saints, Relics, & Miracles in Medieval Europe
WST 4930	Special Topics		EUH 4286	Top In Europ. Hist: The Spanish Civil War
WST 4940	Internship		EUH 4313/5935	History of Women in Modern Spain
WST 5946	Internship		EUH 4610	Women and Gender in Europe, 1750 to Present
WST 5905	Independent Study		EUH 5905	Read. in Europ. Hist: Saints in Europe & the Americas
WST 5935	Special Topics		HIS 4930/5930	Sp. Topics: Totalitarian Regimes & Gender
<b>African New World Studies:</b>				
AFA 4930/5002	Theory & Methods in ANWS		HIS 4930	Sp. Topics: Women & Gender in Pre-Modern World
<b>Art and Art History:</b>				
ARH 4871/5872	Women and Art		HIS 4935	Senior Seminar: Women & Gender in Pre-Modern Europe & Asia
<b>Economics:</b>				
ECS 3021	Women, Culture and Economic Development		LAH 4721	History of Women in Latin America
<b>English:</b>				
AML 3415	Am. Lit. & Tradition of Dissent: Rehearsing Feminism		<b>Humanities:</b>	
AML 4024	Studies in 20C Af. Am. Lit.: 20 <sup>th</sup> Century African Amer. Lit.		HUM 3225	Women, Culture and History
AML 4300/5305	Maj. Am. Lit. Fig.: Cather, Chopin, Wharton		HUM 3930	Female/Male: Women's Studies Seminar
AML 4503	Periods in American Literature: Women Transforming Realism		HUM 4491	Russian Revolution/Soviet Union: Gender, Politics & Society
AML 4503	Per. In Am. Lit.: Literature of the Harlem Renaissance		<b>International Relations:</b>	
AML 4624/5305	African-American Women Writers		INR 4085	Women & Men in International Relations
AML 4930/5505	Sp. Top. In Am. Lit.: War and the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century American Heroine		INR 5935	Topics in Int. Rel.: Feminism and International Relations
ENC 4930	Sp. Top. In Comp: Women Who Disrupt, Resist, Question the Status Quo		<b>Labor Studies:</b>	
ENG 4132	Studies in Film: Women and Film of the African Diaspora		LBS 4154/5155	Workers & Diversity / Workplace Diversity
ENL 3261	19th Century British Women Novelists		LBS 4210/5930	Women and Work in the United States
ENL 4212	Medieval Women Writers		<b>Modern Languages:</b>	
ENL 4251	Victorian Literature		FIL 4528	Hispanic Culture: Women & Film
ENL 4254/5505	Late Victorian Fiction		FRW 4583	Women Writers in French
ENL 4370	Virginia Woolf and Her Circle		SPW 4390	Genre Studies: The Representation of Women in Spanish Film
ENL 5220	Maj. Brit. Lit. Fig.: Sensation Writers: W.		SPW 5387	Women and Poetry
			SPW 5556	Spanish Realism and Naturalism

SPW 5781	The Representation of Women in Spanish Literature & Film
SPW 5786	Spanish-American Women Writers
<b>Music:</b>	
MUH 3073/5075	Women in Music
<b>Philosophy:</b>	
PHM 4123	Philosophy and Feminism
<b>Political Science:</b>	
POS 4073	Military and the Citizen
POS 4605	Gender Justice and the Courts
POT 4309	Sex, Power, and Politics
POT 5307	Feminist Political Theory
PUP 4323	Women in Politics
<b>Psychology:</b>	
CYP 6766	Cross-Cultural Sensitization in a Multicultural Context
PSY 4822	Female Sexuality
PSY 4930	Special Topic: Research Plans & Careers
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women
<b>Religion:</b>	
REL 3145/5145	Women and Religion
REL 3171	Sex and Religion
REL 3520/5502	Saints, Witches and Cathedrals
REL 4146	Feminist Theology and Ethics
REL 5184	Sex, Ethics and Religion
<b>Sociology/Anthropology:</b>	
ANT 3302	Anthropology of Sex and Gender
ANT 3304	Voices of Third World Women
ANT 4334	Contemporary Latin American Women
SYD 3810/6325	Sociology of Gender
SYD 4820	Sociology of Men
SYG 4060	Sociology of Sexuality
SYO 3120	Marriage and the Family
SYP 4562	Domestic Violence
<b>Public Administration</b>	
PAD 5435	Administration & the Role of Women
<b>Architecture:</b>	
ARC 4227	Gender and Architecture
<b>Business:</b>	
MAN 4102	Managing Diversity
<b>Criminal Justice:</b>	
CCJ 4663	Women, Crime, and the Criminal Justice System
<b>Social Work:</b>	
SOW 5109	Crises in the Lives of Women

cross-nationalism and post-modernism are addressed.

**WST 4905 Independent Study (1-3).** Supervised readings course designed for advanced students who wish to pursue specialized topics in women's studies. Arrangements must be made with faculty member during prior semester. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**WST 4930 Special Topics (3).** Selected topics in Women's Studies. Subject of course varies with instructor. Prerequisites: One women's studies course or permission of the instructor.

**WST 4940 Women's Studies Internship (1-3).** Supervised work experience in organization agency or business focused on women and/or girls. Prerequisites: One women's studies course and permission of the director.

**WST 5507 Feminist Theory (3).** Theories, issues and major paradigms underlying feminist scholarship. Development of women's studies as a discipline. Emphasis on multicultural approaches and perspectives. Prerequisites: One WST course or permission of the instructor.

**WST 5905 Independent Study (1-3).** Supervised readings course designed for advanced and graduate students who wish to pursue specialized topics in women's studies. Arrangements must be made with faculty member during prior semester. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**WST 5935 Special Topics (3).** Selected topics in women's studies. Subject of course varies with instructor. Prerequisites: One women's studies course or permission of the instructor.

**WST 5946 Women's Studies Internship (1-3).** Supervised work experience in organization, agency, or business focused on women and/or girls. Prerequisites: BA in women's studies or other discipline and permission from the Women's Studies director.

## Course Descriptions

### Definition of Prefixes

WST – Women's Studies

**WST 3015 Introduction to Women's Studies (3).** Considers the interdisciplinary study of women in today's world. Focuses on women through the life course and examines the debates on women's studies in the university.

**WST 3641 Gay and Lesbian in the United States (3).** An interdisciplinary examination of contemporary issues facing gays and lesbians in the United States. Topics include a review of significant events in the gay/lesbian movement; political and legal considerations; and social/cultural contributions.

**WST 4504 Feminist Theory (3).** This course explores how women are viewed theoretically across the social sciences and humanities. Topics such as multiculturalism,