



### GENDER & WOMEN'S STUDIES *College of Humanities and Social Sciences*

The Gender & Women's Studies Department at Minnesota State University, Mankato contributes to feminist and social concerns through undergraduate and graduate degree programs and courses. We appeal to a wide variety of disciplines, professions, research interests, and ideological perspectives. Gender & Women's Studies prepares students for careers in human services, the media, community organizing, education, and many more.

#### DEGREES OFFERED

- Gender & Women's Studies, BA/BS
- Gender & Women's Studies, Minor
- Sexuality Studies, Minor
- Gender & Women's Studies Accelerated Combined Degree (BA/BS and MA/MS)
- Gender & Women's Studies, MA/MS
- Gender and Women's Studies, Graduate Certificate

#### SKILLS & TALENTS

- Communication skills
- Critical thinking
- Cultural sensitivity
- Community education
- Interpersonal skills
- Problem solving
- Research skills
- Social perceptiveness
- Writing skills
- Analytical skills
- Advocacy
- Media literacy

#### REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES:

- LGBT Center
- Women's Center
- Study Abroad Opportunities, including Gender and Land: Activism in Costa Rica
- Internship Opportunities:
  - On campus: Including the LGBT Center, Women's Center, and Violence Awareness and Response Program
  - In the community: Including gender-based violence, reproductive health, housing, racial justice, and gender justice organizations

#### EMPLOYERS

- Colleges and universities
- Government agencies
- Law firms and court systems
- Hospitals and clinics
- Market research companies
- Mental health clinics
- Non-profit organizations
- Public state institutions
- Social justice organizations

#### CAREERS

- Anti-violence direct services and policy
- Community organizing and advocacy
- Healthcare and health education
- Family therapy
- Gender & women's studies instruction
- Legal services
- Social work
- Government affairs
- Student affairs

## CONTACT INFO

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## SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR CURRICULUM (GENDER & WOMEN'S STUDIES, BS)

Major Common Core	
GWS 110 Introduction to Gender (4) GWS 220 Sex and Gender Worldwide (4) GWS 310 Feminist Thought (4) GWS 330 Feminist Activism and Social Justice (4) GWS 340 Undergraduate Seminar (4)	<u>Internship</u> (choose 4 credits from the following) GWS 497 Internship: Teaching (1-6) GWS 498 Internship: Community (1-6)
Major Restricted Electives (Choose a minimum of 8 credits from the following)	
AIS 240W American Indian Women (3) ANTH 432 Kinship, Marriage and Family (3) ANTH 433 Anthropology of Gender (3) ART 419 Gender in Art (3) BIOL 102 Biology of Women (3) CORR 444 Women in the Criminal Justice System (3) ENG 402W Gender in Literature (2-4) ETHN 470 Women of Color (3) GWS 120 Violence and Gender (4) GWS 120W Violence and Gender (4) GWS 222 - Gender, Law, and Justice GWS 225W Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies (4) GWS 230 Gender, Race, and Popular Culture (4) GWS 250 - Health, Wealth, and Power GWS 260 Selected Topics (1-4) GWS 277 Individual Study (1-6) GWS 290 Workshop (1-4)	GWS 411 Sexual Assault Victim Advocacy GWS 420 Identity Work in Women's Reentry Experiences GWS 440 Feminist Teaching and Learning (3) GWS 455 Sexuality and Queer Identities (3) GWS 460 Selected Topics (1-4) GWS 477 Individual Study (1-6) GWS 490 Workshop (1-4) HIST 155 History of the Family in America (3) HIST 408 Women and Gender in European History (4) HIST 487 United States Women's History (4) HLTH 400 Women's Health (3) POL 424 Women & Politics (3) PSYC 460W Psychology of Women (3) SOC 209 Sociology of Human Sexualities (3) SOC 307 Sex & Gender in Contemporary Society (3) SOC 409 Family Violence (3) SOWK 427 Social Work Response to Intimate Partner Violence (3)

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