

UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL Request for Change(s)

Originating unit requesting change

Women & Gender Studies

Type of Change requested:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Course number(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Course prerequisite(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Program title |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Course title | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop course(s) | Program description |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Course description | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop program(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program requirements |

Semester and year change(s) take effect:

Fall 2020

Appropriate computer abbreviation if
course title is more than 30 spaces:

Briefly summarize the change requested:

A revision of the program requirements for the BA in WGST

Catalog copy

Present catalog copy (paste-up from
catalog is acceptable).

The Bachelor of Arts major in women and gender studies requires 30 semester hours of WGST -prefix and WGST-attribute courses passed with a grade of "C-" or better and a maximum of 12 hours below the 30000 level. A minor in any field is required (unless student has a second major). Reminder: A Bachelor of Arts at TCU has associated foreign language requirements.

Foundational Courses (15 hours)

Three required courses:

WGST 20003	Introduction to Women and Gender Studies
WGST 40003	Advanced Seminar in Women and Gender Studies
WGST 50103	Feminist Inquiry

Two courses from the following:

WGST 30193	Queer Theories
WGST 30203	Intersectional Activism & Social Justice
WGST 30303	Women of Color Feminisms in a US Context
WGST 30403	Transnational Gender & Sexuality

Elective Courses (15 hours)

Five courses from among WGST-prefix and WGST-attribute courses. Courses may not be counted in more than one category of requirements for the major. No more than two of the elective courses may be in any single discipline (excluding WGST-prefix courses).

A list of approved courses can be found on the department website and will be maintained by the department and the registrar.

Proposed change(s). (Include exact catalog
copy as desired. Underline changes)

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Foundational Courses (15 hours)

Three required courses:

WGST 20003	Introduction to Women and Gender Studies
WGST 30503	Foundations in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
WGST 50103	Feminist/Queer Inquiry

Two courses from the following:

WGST 30193	Queer Theories
WGST 30203	Social Justice Organizing & Activism
WGST 30303	Feminisms of Color
WGST 30403	Transnational Gender & Sexuality

Elective Courses (12 hours)

Four courses from among WGST-prefix and WGST-attribute courses. Courses may not be counted in more than one category of requirements for the major. No more than two of the elective courses may be in any single discipline (excluding WGST-prefix courses).

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Senior Capstone Project or Thesis (3 hours)

WGST 40350

Senior Capstone Project/Thesis

1. What is the justification for the change(s) requested?

We have developed a new version of our Advanced Seminar, now called Foundations in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, to better meet the needs of our new major. We will also be requiring a senior capstone project or thesis in order to give students ample space to synthesize what they have learned in their curriculum.

2. If applicable, explain how the change(s) will affect the current program outcomes and assessment mechanisms.

There will be no change to either program outcomes or assessment; the new requirements will contribute to our current outcomes and provide additional assessment materials.

3. **Faculty Resources:** How will the unit provide faculty support for this change and any other impact this change may have on other current departmental listings.
N/A

4. **Educational Resources:** Will this change require additional resources not currently available (e.g. space, equipment, library, other)? ☐ YES
If yes, list additional resources needed. ☒ NO
N/A

5. If this change affects other units of the University, include a statement signed by the chairperson(s) of the affected unit(s).
N/A

6. If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and cross-listed units.
N/A



Approval signature of chairperson of originating unit