

**UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL**  
**Request for Change(s)**

Originating unit requesting change

Women & Gender Studies

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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

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

Briefly summarize the change requested:

A revision of the program requirements for the BS in WGST

Catalog copy

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

The Bachelor of Science 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; and 6 credits of associated requirements. A minor in any field is required (unless student has a second major).

**Foundational Courses (12 hours)**

Two required courses:

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| WGST 20003 | Introduction to Women and Gender Studies     |
| WGST 40003 | Advanced Seminar in Women and Gender Studies |

**Two courses from the following:**

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| WGST 30193 | Queer Theories                           |
| WGST 30303 | Women of Color Feminisms in a US Context |
| WGST 30403 | Transnational Gender & Sexuality         |
| WGST 50103 | Feminist Inquiry                         |

**Application and Activism (12 hours)**

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| WGST 30203 | Intersectional Activism & Social Justice |
| WGST 49003 | Internship in Women and Gender Studies   |

Two courses from a pre-approved list of application and activism courses from among WGST-attribute courses. This list of approved courses can be found on the program website and will be maintained by the program.

**Elective Courses (6 hours)**

Two courses from among WGST-prefix and WGST-attribute courses.

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

The Bachelor of Science major in women and gender studies requires 33 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; and 3 credits of associated requirements. A minor in any field is required (unless student has a second major).

**Foundational Courses (15 hours)**

Three required courses:

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| 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:

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| WGST 30193 | Queer Theories                   |
| WGST 30303 | Feminisms of Color               |
| WGST 30403 | Transnational Gender & Sexuality |

**Application and Activism (12 hours)**

Two required courses:

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| WGST 30203 | Intersectional Activism & Social Justice |
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Courses may not be counted in more than one category of requirements for the major.

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

### **Associated Requirements (6 hours)**

Please note: as associated requirements, these courses may be used to fulfill the requirements of another major or minor.

One of the following classes in **math/statistics**:

MATH 10043	Elementary Statistics
MATH 30853	Statistics
INSC 20153	Statistical Analysis

One of the following classes in **research methods**:

ANTH 30383	Writing Human Stories: Research, Ethnography, and Narrative
COMM 30283	Communication Inquiry
CRES 30003	Interdisciplinary Inquiry
ECON 40313	Econometrics
GEOG 30323	Data Analysis and Visualization
POSC 20093	Scope and Methods of Political Science
SOCI 40383	Topics in Applied Social Research
STCO 35503	Research
SOWO 40813	Research Methods in Social Work

WGST 49003 Internship in Women and Gender Studies

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Two application & activism electives:

Two courses from a pre-approved list of application and activism courses from among WGST-attribute courses. This list of approved courses can be found on the program website and will be maintained by the program.

### **Elective Course (3 hours)**

One course from among WGST-prefix and WGST-attribute courses. Courses may not be counted in more than one category of requirements for the major.

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

### **Senior Capstone Project or Thesis (3 hours)**

WGST 40350 Senior Capstone Project/Thesis

### **Associated Requirement (3 hours)**

Please note: as associated requirements, these courses may be used to fulfill the requirements of another major or minor.

One of the following classes in **math/statistics**:

MATH 10043	Elementary Statistics
MATH 30853	Statistics
INSC 20153	Statistical Analysis

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

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Approval signature of chairperson of originating unit

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