

Gender Studies (GSP)

- The program in Gender Studies offers students an integrated approach to the study of gender in human culture. Drawing on courses in such disciplines as Art History, English, Modern Languages, History, Philosophy, Psychology, and Sociology, the program encourages students to pursue interests across several disciplines. It culminates in a semester-long independent capstone project designed to integrate learning from two disciplines and gender studies.

The program in Gender Studies is not a major. With the exception of the capstone project, courses applied toward requirements for Gender Studies may also be counted toward other programs, majors or minors. Completion of the program will be noted on the transcript.

Coordinators

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Program Requirements

The program in Gender Studies requires the completion of 15 credit hours. One course must emphasize theory, one course must be the senior capstone project, and the remaining three courses must be approved electives as outlined below.

Select one theory course from the following: 3

ENGL 339	Race, Gender, and Empire
ENGL 345	Literature & Gender Theory
ENGL 445	Sexuality in Film
GSP 301	Introduction to Gender Studies
HIST 389	Modern Intellectual History
PHIL 303	Feminist Philosophy
PHIL 315	Philosophy of Love, Sex, and Friendship

Select three courses from the following (with not more than two, including the theory course, from the same department). 9

ARTH 241	African Art: Gender, Power & Life-Cycle Ritual
ARTH 412	Women in Italian Renaissance & Baroque Art
ENGL 338	Early Women Writers
ENGL 339	Race, Gender, and Empire
ENGL 345	Literature & Gender Theory
ENGL 445	Sexuality in Film
FREN 412	French Novel
GSP 301	Introduction to Gender Studies
HIST 319	History of American Women
HIST 385	Women in European History
HIST 389	Modern Intellectual History
PHIL 216	Social & Political Philosophy
PHIL 303	Feminist Philosophy
PHIL 315	Philosophy of Love, Sex, and Friendship
SOC 250	Sex & Gender Across Cultures
SOC 315	Sex, Gender and the Family
SPAN 308	Modern Writers of the Hispanic World

Senior Capstone Project	3
GSP 448	Capstone Project: Gender Studies
Total Hours	15

Students may also count certain other courses toward program requirements as approved by the Program Coordinators.

GSP 301. Introduction to Gender Studies. 3 Hours.

The course introduces basic topics, concepts and theories from the field of Gender Studies through an interdisciplinary and intercultural analysis of gender roles and their intersection with other social constructs such as race, class, sexuality, religion or disability. Successful completion of this course satisfies the Cultures and Peoples requirement for graduation.

GSP 448. Capstone Project: Gender Studies. 3 Hours.

Designed by the student, the Capstone Project combines an understanding of gender theory with study in two disciplines. The product of the project may take the form of a traditional research paper of 20-30 pages, but works of fiction or drama, field studies, multi-media presentations, or other formats are acceptable, subject to the approval of the coordinators. Products other than research papers must be accompanied by bibliography of sources and a 5-10 page statement explaining goals, results, and research methods. Students will work closely throughout the semester with two faculty advisors and will defend the results of their projects before a committee of three faculty members: two who teach courses in the program and one outside reader. At least one committee member will be a program coordinator. The defense will be open to the Wofford community. Prerequisite: Instructor permission.

Prerequisite: ENGL 339 with a minimum grade of D or ENGL 345 with a minimum grade of D or ENGL 445 with a minimum grade of D or GSP 301 with a minimum grade of D or HIST 389 with a minimum grade of D or PHIL 303 with a minimum grade of D or PHIL 315 with a minimum grade of D.