

# Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies Certificate

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## Overview

The 12-credit **Certificate in Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies** (GSWS) explores the cultural, economic and political factors that form the daily experiences of women and queer communities. Through the curriculum, students will engage in critical studies of gender and sexuality and their intersection with ability, class, gender and race in the U.S. Students will deepen their critical and analytical thinking skills with rigorous reading and writing coursework, and study the central institutions of gender, including family, sexuality and love, the ideology of femininity, and more.

This certificate is designed for students whose major is outside the College of Liberal Arts who want to pursue a Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies-oriented career.

Students combining a minor in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Studies and a major, minor or certificate in GSWS may double-count for both programs only Field Work (GSWS 4389 or LGBT 4489) and Queer Lives (GSWS 2405 or LGBT 2405).

Certificates are awarded only at the time of completion of the bachelor's degree and cannot be awarded either as a stand-alone program of study or after completion of the first bachelor's degree.

**Campus Location:** Main

**Program Code:** LA-GSWS-CERT

## Contact Information

Please contact the College of Liberal Arts' Center for Academic Advising for more information on minors, certificates or other CLA programs.

Learn more about the undergraduate certificate in Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies.

## Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
GSWS 1076 or GSWS 1096	Introduction to Gender Studies Introduction to Women's Studies	3
GSWS 4389	Field Work	3
Two electives in Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies <sup>1</sup>		6
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

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At least one of these two courses must be at the upper level.