WGST - WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES

WGST 601 Feminist Theory
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Inquiry-based examination of contemporary feminist theory from an interdisciplinary perspective; topics may include intersectionality, LGBTQ+ issues, reproductive health and rights, sexuality and identity, economics and labor, legal and political issues facing women and LGBTQ+ communities, debates about priorities for feminist theory and activism, popular feminism, and feminism and ethics. Prerequisites: Graduate classification.

WGST 603/SOCI 603 The Contemporary Family
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Review and criticism of theories developed for study of the family; family formation, dynamics, conflicts, power, dissolution; subcultural family forms and responses to social change. Prerequisite: Graduate classification or approval of instructor. Cross Listing: SOCI 603/WGST 603.

WGST 610/SOCI 610 Reproduction, Birth, and Power
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. An examination of topics related to reproductive practices, experiences, and ideologies and of the constructed and contested meanings surrounding womanhood, motherhood, sexuality, reproductive freedom, and eugenics. Prerequisites: Graduate classification. Cross Listing: SOCI 610/WGST 610.

WGST 634 Introduction to Gender and Education
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Major discussions and debates in the area of gender and education, with particular attention to the role that feminism and feminist theory have played on the intersections of gender, race, class, ethnicity, and sexuality. Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

WGST 643/FILM 643 Sex, Gender and Cinema
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Exploration of a significant topic at the intersection of women's gender studies and film, such as cinema and sexuality studies, cinema and women, and cinema and masculinity; may include discussion of production, film content, and reception. Prerequisites: Graduate classification. Cross Listing: FILM 643/ WGST 643.

WGST 645/PERF 645 Queer Theory
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Examination of the origins of theories of gender and sexual diversity and their intersections with feminist theories; study of foundational and contemporary texts that address queer theory with a particular emphasis on how its utilizations within performance studies. Prerequisite: Graduate classification. Cross Listing: PERF 645/ WGST 645.

WGST 649/EHRD 649 Feminist Pedagogy
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Explores how educational systems and institutions have regarded women historically and contemporarily; considers practical and theoretical writings on feminist pedagogy. Prerequisite: Graduate classification. Cross Listing: EHRD 649/ WGST 649.

WGST 650 Gender and International Education
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Explores the intersection of formal and informal education and understandings of gender in countries beyond the United States. Prerequisites: WGST 634.

WGST 652/COMM 656 Feminism and Rhetoric
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Historical development of the ideology, theory and rhetorical practices of U.S. feminism; criticism of significant artifacts of women orators and writers from the 19th century to contemporary times. Cross Listing: COMM 656/WGST 652.

WGST 661/SOCI 661 Sociology of Gender
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Overview of the Sociology of Gender, historical development, primary concepts, contemporary issues. Theory, methods, and applications. Prerequisite: Graduate classification. Cross Listing: SOCI 661/WGST 661.

WGST 680/ENGL 680 Theories of Gender
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Theories of gender, sexualities, feminism, embodiment, and difference with particular focus on their relationship to literary and cultural studies; emphasis on contemporary theoretical positions, discourses, and debates. Prerequisite: Graduate classification. Cross Listing: ENGL 680/WGST 680.

WGST 681 Seminar in Women's and Gender Studies
Credits 3. 3 Other Hours. Intensive investigation on selected research areas in Women's and Gender Studies; exploration of the intersection of gender, queer and feminist scholarship in various disciplines and areas of study. Prerequisites: Graduate classification.

WGST 685 Directed Studies
Credits 1 to 4. 1 to 4 Other Hours. Directed individual study of selected problems in the field of women's and gender studies. Prerequisite: Approval of instructor.

WGST 689 Special Topics in...
Credits 1 to 4. 1 to 4 Lecture Hours. 0 to 4 Lab Hours. Selected topics in an identified area of women’s and gender studies. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Approval of instructor.

WGST 691 Research
Credits 1 to 15. 1 to 15 Other Hours. Research toward thesis or dissertation. May be repeated for credit. Must be taken on a satisfactory/ unsatisfactory basis. Prerequisite: Approval of Instructor.

WGST 694/FILM 694 Gender and Genre
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours. Exploration and analysis of the ways in which a single literary and/or film genre resonates with gendered perspectives and sexual subjectivity. May be taken two times for credit. Prerequisite: Graduate classification. Cross Listing: FILM 694/WGST 694.