

WOMEN'S STUDIES

WST 5933 Proseminar in Women's Studies 3 Credits, Max 6 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Proseminar (seminar that prepares you for more advanced work) introducing graduate students to Women's Studies scholarship. Overview of feminist thought, interdisciplinary research, and feminist practice. Students are introduced to scholars in the field, and learn how to design and implement an independent research project appropriate to Women's Studies.

WST 6004 Feminist Methods in Research and Scholarship 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Provides graduate training covering a range of qualitative and quantitative research methods for giving voice to the diversity of women's experiences and those of understudied and marginalized populations, making visible the invisible and undercounted aspects of people's lives and studying intersectionality. Includes overview of feminist critiques of science and epistemologies.

Prerequisite: None. Open to all graduate students in all colleges.

WST 6024 Girlhood Studies 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Critically examines the construction of girlhood through social, political, economic, and cultural frameworks. Uses materials and methodologies from various disciplines to explore diverse experiences, challenges, and identities of girls from global and intersectional perspective. Presents complex intersections of gender, age, race, class, sexuality, and ability across diverse cultural and geographical contexts.

WST 6245 Women and Therapy 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Survey of the development of mental health interventions from the 19th century to the present, with attention to women as patients, practitioners, and consumers

WST 6329 History of Women's Medicine 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Explores Western mainstream medicine (including psychology) and doctoring within the context of women's health during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Interdisciplinary approach appropriate for graduate students in various disciplines; course materials include primary and secondary texts from medicine, psychology, history, and gender studies.

WST 6348 Ecofeminism 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Holistic framework for understanding connections among environmental, feminist, and social justice issues. Critical analysis of positions within ecofeminist theory.

WST 6406 Advanced Black Feminisms: Frameworks, Methods, Futures 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Interdisciplinary investigation of Black feminist knowledge production, including institutional origins, key sites of inquiry, and imagined futures. Explores multiple methodological approaches. Prioritizes contributions of scholars who may be outside of the canon. Engages primary sources, secondary texts, and audio and visual material. Possible topics include labor, pleasure, and violence.

WST 6508 Advanced Feminist Theory 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Introduction to contemporary theoretical ideas in feminist thought. Often taught with a common theme, in and across disciplines.

Prerequisite: Graduate-level course in feminist theory or equivalent.

WST 6596 Intersectional Activism 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Theory and research about intersections of race, class, gender, sexuality in activism and social movements

WST 6905 Independent Study 1-3 Credits, Max 6 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Independent reading or research under guidance.

Prerequisite: consent of instructor and department chair; and 1 women's studies course, or course that counts for women's studies.

WST 6935 Special Topics in Women's Studies 1-3 Credits, Max 15 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Selected topics in gender and women's studies, emphasizing new knowledge production and contributions in feminist scholarship. Examines a specific topic, a major figure, or a current problem in more depth than is regularly possible in a more general course.

WST 6936 Feminist Challenges to Disciplinary Paradigms 3 Credits, Max 6 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Examines how feminist scholarship can transform traditional disciplines and bodies of knowledge. Acquaints students with the major feminist challenges to ways of thinking in one or more fields of study. Such ways of thinking can include theory, methodology, disciplinary assumptions, and/or applications.

WST 6946 Internship in Applied Women's Studies and Gender Research 1-3 Credits, Max 6 Credits

Grading Scheme: S/U

Practical experience in community. Internship with local agency, group, or business in women's issues.

Prerequisite: permission of program director.

WST 6957 International Studies in Women's Studies and Gender Research 1-6 Credits, Max 12 Credits

Grading Scheme: S/U

International Studies in Women's Studies and Gender Research

Prerequisite: admission to approved study abroad program and permission of department.

WST 6971 Research for Master's Thesis 1-15 Credits

Grading Scheme: S/U

Research for Master's Thesis