Gender, Justice & Environmental Change

Graduate Specialization

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ABOUT MSU
Founded in 1855, MSU is a land-grant institution with a rich history of linking education, research, and extension, particularly in relation to agriculture, rural areas, environment, and natural resources. MSU is unusually strong in interdisciplinary programs and international studies. To explore some of MSU’s exciting programs, please visit:
• Center for Gender in Global Context www.gencen.msu.edu
• The Graduate School www.msu.edu/user/gradschl
• International Studies and Programs www.isp.msu.edu

GJEC CORE FACULTY
Core faculty in the GJEC Program come from a wide range of departments, including Agricultural, Food, & Resource Economics (AFRE); Anthropology; Community Sustainability; Criminal Justice; Crop, Soil & Microbial Sciences; Environmental Science & Policy (ESPP); Fisheries & Wildlife; Forestry; Geography; History; and Sociology. Visit www.gencen.msu.edu/faculty/directory/ and search “GJEC” to learn more about the faculty in your fields of interest.

STUDENT FINANCIAL SUPPORT
Fellowships for dissertation research and completion are available for GJEC students with projects focusing on gender dimensions of environmental and/or agricultural change. For information about this and other funding opportunities, visit www.gencen.msu.edu/studentfunding.

ABOUT GENCEN
The Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) is an interdisciplinary center in International Studies and Programs (ISP) focused on gender, feminist, and women’s studies. Its affiliated faculty and students study how women and men from diverse racial, ethnic, national, and sexual backgrounds live in and engage with the world and how processes of global change affect gender relations locally, nationally, and internationally. Working in conjunction with the academic colleges, the center promotes outstanding undergraduate and graduate education, facilitates research and scholarship of the highest caliber, and undertakes innovative outreach and active learning initiatives.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW
The graduate specialization in Gender, Justice & Environmental Change is an elective addition to master’s and doctoral degree programs at MSU. Jointly sponsored by the College of Agriculture & Natural Resources and the College of Social Science, it is the first program of its kind to focus on local and global intersections of gender, social and environmental justice, and environmental change. Emerging scholarship in this field focuses on the intersections of gender, class, race, and ethnicity in:
• environmental politics of international issues
• grassroots environmental justice movements
• use and management of natural resources
• feminist agricultural economics
• human-environment relations in history and literature

The program offers graduate students a supportive and rigorous academic environment for exploring these issues, as well as credentials demonstrating specialized training in the field. The program is designed to:
• provide students from different disciplinary backgrounds with analytical and methodological tools to address environmental and agricultural issues from gender and social justice perspectives
• provide students with a global perspective on environmental and agricultural issues
• foster the growth of research, service, and interdisciplinary collaboration in these fields.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
The program is multidisciplinary and individual programs are designed with the GenCen Graduate Advisor. Once admitted to their chosen home department, students may enroll in this program. Students must complete:
1. Two core courses (6 credits) *crosslisting available*
   • CSUS 858: Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change: Issues and Concepts (3 credits)
   • ANP 859: Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change: Methodology and Application (3 credits)
2. One relevant policy course (3 credits) *see website*
3. One relevant elective course (3 credits) *see website*