For students wishing to pursue the WGS Minor, please contact the GenCen Advisor to design a course of study. Due to the dynamic and interdisciplinary nature of our programs, meeting with the advisor regularly will enable students to stay up-to-date on course/other opportunities.

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Why add a WGS Minor?
The Women’s & Gender Studies (WGS) Minor at MSU is offered through the College of Arts & Letters and is administered by GenCen (International Studies & Programs). Our faculty are drawn from disciplines across campus—including Anthropology, James Madison, Political Science, and Sociology—to offer a diverse set of critical approaches and perspectives.

The WGS Minor is available to students enrolled in Bachelor’s degree programs, other than those enrolled in the BA in Women’s & Gender Studies. This interdisciplinary minor provides students with in-depth opportunities to study the intersections of gender with other aspects of identity within their fields of interest, enabling them to apply such understandings through one of four specific thematic areas.

With the approval of the department/college that administer the student’s degree program, courses that are used to meet the requirements for the minor might also be used to satisfy the requirements for their degree.

WGS Minor Requirements

Core Courses

**WS201 - Intro to Women’s & Genders Studies**

Foundational knowledge, theories, methods in women’s and gender studies and of women’s experience historically and across the globe.

**WS 202 - Intro to Contemporary Feminisms & Gender Theories**

Theories of feminism and gender from a variety of intellectual, political, cultural, religious, sexual, racial, ethnic, national, and global perspectives.

Thematic Areas *(choose one - min. 9 credits)*

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