# Gender and Women’s Studies

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Retention Requirement for majors and minors: A minimum grade of C in GEND 200 and GEND 201.

Gender and Women’s Studies B.A.

Course Requirements

Courses

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| GEND 200W | Gender and Society | 4 | F, Sp |
| GEND 201W | Introduction to Feminist Inquiry | 4 | F |
| GEND 352 | Feminist Theory | 4 | F |
| GEND 400 | Internship in Gender and Women’s Studies | 4 | As needed |
| GEND 461 | Seminar in Race, Gender, and Class | 4 | Sp |

FIVE COURSES: Two of these courses must be on the topics of labor and class, race/ethnicity or sexuality studies.

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| GEND 205 | Introduction to Queer Theory | 4 | F |
| GEND 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| GEND 350 | Topics | 4 | As needed |
| GEND 351 | Men and Masculinities | 4 | As needed |
| GEND 353 | The Holocaust: Women and Resistance | 4 | As needed |
| GEND 355 | Women and Madness | 4 | Alternate years |
| GEND 356 | Class Matters | 4 | F |
| GEND 357 | Gender and Sexuality | 4 | F |
| GEND 358 | Gender-Based Violence | 4 | Alternate years |
| ART 461 | Seminar in Art History | 3 | F, Sp |
| COMM 332 | Gender and Communication | 4 | F |
| ENGL 324 | Literature by Women | 4 | As needed |
| ENGL 326 | Studies in African American Literature | 4 | As needed |
| FNED 246 | Schooling for Social Justice | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| HIST 217 | American Gender and Women’s History | 3 | Annually |
| HIST 234 | Challenges and Confrontations: Women in Europe | 3 | As needed |
| POL 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| POL 309 | Gender and Politics in the U.S. | 4 | As needed |
| POL 333 | Law and Politics of Civil Rights | 4 | Annually |
| PSYC 356 | Psychology of Gender | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 342 | Women, Crime, and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
| XXX 350\* | Topics Course | 3-4 |  |

Note: ENGL 326, FNED 346, GEND 353, GEND 356, GEND 357 and GEND 458: Labor and class, race/ethnicity or sexual studies are topics in these courses.

Note: \*Topics Course: (when on gender and women’s studies topics)

Total Credit Hours: 37-40

Gender and Women’s Studies Minor

Course Requirements

The minor in gender and women’s studies consists of a minimum of 18 credit hours (five courses) as follows:

Courses

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| GEND 200W | Gender and Society | 4 | F, Sp |
| GEND 201W | Introduction to Feminist Inquiry | 4 | F |

THREE COURSES from

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GEND 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| GEND 353 | The Holocaust: Women and Resistance | 4 | As needed |
| GEND 355 | Women and Madness | 4 | Alternate years |
| GEND 356 | Class Matters | 4 | F |
| GEND 357 | Gender and Sexuality | 4 | F |
| GEND 358 | Gender-Based Violence | 4 | Alternate years |
| ART 461 | Seminar in Art History | 3 | F, Sp |
| COMM 332 | Gender and Communication | 4 | F |
| ENGL 324 | Literature by Women | 4 | As needed |
| ENGL 326 | Studies in African American Literature | 4 | As needed |
| FNED 246 | Schooling for Social Justice | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| HIST 217 | American Gender and Women’s History | 3 | Annually |
| HIST 234 | Challenges and Confrontations: Women in Europe | 3 | As needed |
| POL 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| POL 309 | Gender and Politics in the U.S. | 4 | As needed |
| POL 333 | Law and Politics of Civil Rights | 4 | Annually |
| PSYC 356 | Psychology of Gender | 4 | F, Sp |
| SOC 342 | Women, Crime, and Justice | 4 | F, Sp |
| XXX 350\* | Topics Course | 3-4 |  |

Note: \*Topics Course: (when on gender and women’s studies topics)

 Total Credit Hours: 18-20

Queer Studies Minor

Course Requirements

The minor in Queer Studies consists of a minimum of 19 credit hours (five courses) as follows:

Courses

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| GEND 200W | Gender and Society | 4 | F, Sp |
| GEND 205 | Introduction to Queer Theory | 4 | F |

THREE COURSES from

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ANTH 329 | Queer And Trans Anthropology | 4 | Alternate years |
| FILM 352 | Film Genres | 4 | Alternate years |
| GEND 201W | Introduction to Feminist Inquiry | 4 | F |
| GEND 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| GEND 352 | Feminist Theory | 4 | F |
| GEND 357 | Gender and Sexuality | 4 | F |
| GEND 461 | Seminar in Race, Gender, and Class | 4 | Sp |
| POL 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| PSYC 351 | Psychology of Human Diversity | 4 | F, Sp |
| PSYC 356 | Psychology of Gender | 4 | F, Sp |
| SWRK 472 | Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity | 3 | Sp Su |

Note: FILM 352: When on appropriate topic.

Total Credit Hours: 19-20

Note: The interdisciplinary courses have prerequisites, which may need to be met, or in some cases, it is possible to enroll by consent if requested. See advisor.

# Global Studies

**Global Studies Program Co-Directors:** Moonsil Kim and April Kiser

Students **must**consult with their assigned advisor before they will be able to register for courses.

Students are advised to consult with the faculty contact for the Global Studies major and minor for creating a personalized plan at the time they declare this major or minor.

**Retention Requirements**

A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 in the Global Studies major or minor.

Global Studies B.A.

Course Requirements

Core Courses

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GLOB 200W | Global Studies and the World | 4 | F, Sp |
| GLOB 461W | Seminar in Global Studies | 4 | F, Sp |

Distribution Courses

Global Political Systems

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| POL 203 | Global Politics | 4 | F, Sp |
|  | -And- |  |  |
|  | ONE COURSE from: |  |  |
| GEND 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| INGO 300 | International NGOs and Nonprofits | 4 | F |
| INGO 301 | Global Development | 4 | Sp |
| INGO 304 | Internship in International NGOs and Nonprofits | 1-4 | As needed |
| POL 245 | Gender and Global Politics | 4 | Sp (odd years) |
| POL 303 | International Law and Organization | 4 | Sp |
| POL 315 | Western Legal Systems | 4 | As needed |
| POL 337 | Urban Political Geography | 3 | As needed |
| POL 341 | The Politics of Developing Nations | 4 | Sp |
| POL 342 | The Politics of Global Economic Change | 4 | Every third semester |
| POL 343 | The Politics of Western Democracies | 4 | As needed |
| POL 344 | Human Rights | 4 | Sp (alternate years) |
| POL 345 | International NGOs and Nonprofits | 4 | F |
| POL 346 | Foreign Policy | 4 | As needed |

# GEND - Gender and Women's Studies

GEND 200W - Gender and Society (4)

Students analyze the lives of women and men, using the lenses of feminism and emphasizing the legal, economic, political, and social constructions of race, class, gender, and sexuality. This is a Writing in the Discipline (WID) course.

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

GEND 201W - Introduction to Feminist Inquiry (4)

Students explore central concerns of feminist research and analysis, including epistemologies, methodologies, and pedagogy as they relate to the body, language, labor, sexuality, race, and nation. This is a Writing in the Discipline (WID) course.

Prerequisite: GEND 200 or GEND 200W with a minimum grade of C for the major or minor.

Offered: Fall.

GEND 205 - Introduction to Queer Theory (4)

Students are introduced to the field of queer studies through the lens of intersectionality, examining interdisciplinary perspectives in topics including:  the history of sexuality, representations, identities, and social movements.

Offered: Fall.

GEND 245 - Gender and Global Politics (4)

Students explore gender and politics by learning about global trends and building knowledge about specific regions/countries. Topics include women’s political and economic participation, social movements, and gender and war. Students cannot get credit for both GEND 245 and POL 245.

Offered: Spring (odd years).

GEND 261 - Resisting Authority: Girls of Fictional Futures (4)

Young adult dystopian novels examine adolescent angst across the backdrop of authoritarian oppression, often featuring a female hero. Students will analyze classic and contemporary texts through a gender perspective.

General Education Category: Connections.

Prerequisite: FYS 100, FYW 100/FYW 100P/FYW 100H, and at least 45 credits.

Offered: Spring (alternate years).

GEND 262 - Lights, Camera, Gender!: Gender in Film (4)

Students explore how American movies represent and construct femininities and masculinities, by looking at representations of gender in films from various genres and decades.

General Education Category: Connections (C)

Prerequisite: FYS 100, FYW 100/FYW 100P/FYW 100H and at least 45 credits.

Offered: Fall.

GEND 351 - Men and Masculinities (4)

Students examine how patriarchy helps and harms men, replacing a “singular masculinity” with “multiple masculinities” informed by class, race, ethnicity, sexuality, ability, nation, religion and gender identity.

Prerequisite: GEND 200 or GEND 200W, or consent of director.

Offered: As needed.

GEND 352 - Feminist Theory (4)

Building on the concepts introduced in GEND 200, students study contemporary feminist theory in depth and explore a range of interdisciplinary approaches.

Prerequisite: GEND 201 or GEND 201W or consent of director.

Offered: Fall.

GEND 353 - The Holocaust: Women and Resistance (4)

Using an interdisciplinary approach, students expand on traditional academic approaches to the Holocaust and explore gender differences in the experiences, responses, and forms of resistance.

Prerequisite: Completion of at least 45 college credits or consent of director.

Offered: As needed.

GEND 355 - Women and Madness (4)

Students consider patriarchal power, race, class and sexual identity in the development of the concept of women’s ‘madness,’ and examine it from historical, psychological, literary, social and feminist perspectives.

Prerequisite: GEND 200 or GEND 200W, or consent of director.

Offered: Alternate years.

GEND 356 - Class Matters (4)

Focus is on the construction, reproduction, and representation of class in modern America; the impact of social and economic structures on opportunities, identities, and values; and intersections with gender and race.

Prerequisite: GEND 200 or GEND 200W, or consent of director.

Offered: Fall.

GEND 357 - Gender and Sexuality (4)

Students examine how the social construction of gender and issues of power, dominance, and resistance affect the practice and regulation of sexuality.

Prerequisite: GEND 200 or GEND 200W, or consent of director.

Offered: Fall.

GEND 358 - Gender-Based Violence (4)

Students examine forms and types of gender-based violence, including sexual assault and intimate partner, socio-cultural, economic and political violence in the United States with a secondary discussion of global violence.

Prerequisite: GEND 200 or GEND 200W, or consent of director.

Offered: Alternate years.

# POL - Political Science

POL 202 - American Government (4)

The institutions and principles of American national government are examined. Topics include the constitutional foundation, federalism, political parties, Congress, the presidency, the Supreme Court, and civil rights.

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

POL 203 - Global Politics (4)

This is an introduction to the governance of other contemporary national political systems and to the forces, principles, and transnational arrangements of international politics.

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 204 - Introduction to Political Thought (4)

Fundamental concepts and issues of philosophy and political theory are investigated. Basic precepts about authority, law, government, and the terms of obligation are examined in light of contemporary concerns.

General Education Category: Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 208 - Introduction to the Law (4)

Students are introduced to the legal system, the nature of legal reasoning and the roles of judges, juries, legislatures and others in shaping the law.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 245 - Gender and Global Politics (4)

Students explore gender and politics by learning about global trends and building knowledge about specific regions/countries. Topics include women’s political and economic participation, social movements, and gender and war. Students cannot get credit for both POL 245 and GEND 245.

Offered: Spring (odd years).

POL 262 - Power and Community (4)

Students study normative and empirical aspects of the concepts of “power” and “community.” Examples of power relations in a variety of contexts and settings will be compared.

General Education Category: Connections.

Prerequisite: FYS 100, FYW 100/FYW 100P/FYW 100H and 45 credit hours.

Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

POL 265 - Politics and Popular Culture: Global Perspectives (4)

Students investigate the intersection of politics and popular culture in Western and non-Western societies by examining entertainment values, their relationship to political culture and behavior, and the debate over globalization.

General Education Category: Core 4.

Prerequisite: Gen. Ed. Core 1, 2, and 3.

Offered: Annually.

POL 267 - Immigration, Citizenship, and National Identity (4)

Students investigate how different societies have dealt with citizenship and immigration issues and how conceptions of nationhood influence citizenship and immigration debates.

General Education Category: Connections.

Prerequisite: FYS 100, FYW 100/FYW 100P/FYW 100H and 45 credit hours.

Offered: Annually.

POL 300 - Methodology in Political Science (4)

The approaches and methods of empirical political science research are surveyed. Emphasis is on research design, data collection, and interpretation.

General Education Category: Advanced Quantitative/Scientific Reasoning.

Prerequisite: POL 202 and any Gen. Ed. Mathematics course, or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

POL 301W - Foundations of Public Administration (4)

The art and science of public administration is introduced. Focus is on the administrative leadership necessary to manage government agencies within the American political system. This is a Writing in the Discipline (WID) course.

Prerequisite: POL 202 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Fall.

POL 303 - International Law and Organization (4)

Both twentieth-century international organization and the place of evolving international law are considered with respect to the settlement of disputes and the maintenance of peace.

Prerequisite: POL 203 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Spring.

POL 306 - State and Local Government (4)

Students examine the political structures, processes, policies, and power distributions in state and local governments in the United States. Topics include intergovernmental relations, executive leadership, and legislative policy making.

Prerequisite: POL 202 or consent of department chair.

Offered: Every third semester.

POL 307 - Political Behavior (4)

Students examine how individuals interact with the American political system. Topics include political socialization, political psychology, public opinion, voting behavior, and other forms of mass political participation.

Prerequisite: POL 202.

Offered: Fall (even years).

POL 308W - Current Political Controversy (4)

Students learn the art and science of political analysis by critically reading and writing about political controversies currently in the news