

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
Department of Sociology
Minor: Women's and Gender Studies (WGS)
For students graduating in calendar year 2018

The Minor in Women's and Gender Studies (WGS) requires the completion of 18 credits as outlined below. Three specific courses are required. Nine additional credits of electives, with six at the 3000 or 4000 level, are also required. Students must complete at least three credits of WGS coursework (including cross-listed and approved courses) with a focus on gender and race (designated below with an *).

Required (to be taken in sequence) (9 credits):

_____ WGS 1824	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (3)
_____ WGS 2114	Feminist Theory (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
_____ WGS 4224	Women's Studies Seminar (3) (topics vary) (Pre: WGS 1824, WGS 2114)

Electives at the 2000 Level (3 credits):

_____ WGS 2224	Women and Creativity (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
_____ WGS 2244	Women and Science (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
_____ WGS 2254 (SOC 2254)	Feminist Activism (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
_____ WGS 2264 (AFST 2264) (SOC 2264)	Race, Class, Gender, and Sexualities* (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
_____ WGS 2284 (SOC 2284)	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Issues (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
_____ WGS 2734 (AFST 2734) (SOC 2734)	Black Women in the US* (3)
_____ WGS 2974	Independent Study (variable credit) (by arrangement with a professor)

Electives at the 3000 and 4000 Level (6 credits):

_____ WGS 3004	Topics in Feminism (3) (Pre: WGS 1824) (may be repeated with a different topic)
_____ WGS 3214	Global Feminisms* (Pre: WGS 2264)
_____ WGS 3324 (SOC 3324) (STS 3324)	Perspectives on the Biology of Women (Pre: 1824 or permission of instructor)
_____ WGS 4214 (SOC 4214) (UAP 4214)	Women, Environment, and Development in a Global Perspective (3) (Pre: UAP 3344 or UAP 3354)
_____ WGS 4704 (STS 4704)	Gender and Science (3) (Pre: WGS 2244 or STS 1504)
_____ WGS 4754	Internship (3) (Pre: WGS 1824) (by arrangement with professor)
_____ WGS 4974	Independent Study (variable credit) (by arrangement with professor)

Pre-approved electives for the WGS Minor:

Note: Other pre-approved electives outside of WGS for a given semester are listed on the WGS website. Non-WGS courses may not be substituted for 1000- and 2000-level WGS courses.

_____ ENGL 3364	Topics in Women's Literature (3) (Pre: ENGL 1106 or 1204H or COMM 1016)
_____ HD 3114	Issues in Aging (3) (when the topic is women, gender, and/or diversity)
_____ HD 4364	Gender and Family Diversity (3) (Pre: HD 2304)
_____ HIST 3105	Women in U.S. History (to 1865) (3)
_____ HIST 3106	Women in U.S. History (since 1865) (3)
_____ PSCI 3256	The Politics of Race, Ethnicity, and Gender* (3) (Pre: PSCI 1014 or PSCI 1014H or PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H)
_____ SOC 3014	Gender Relations (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 3614	Gender and Work in the U.S. (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 3714	Sociology of Aging* (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)

*Course focused on gender and race.

Up to six credits of special offerings, such as Independent Study (4974), Special Study (4984) or Undergraduate Research (4994) in any department may be used to fulfill requirements for the minor where appropriate. Permission to include such courses must be granted by the minor coordinator.

A minimum GPA of 2.0 in all courses taken to fulfill the minor is required.

Students who want more information or who wish to complete this minor should consult Brenda Husser, Undergraduate Advisor in the Department of Sociology, bhusser@vt.edu, or the Director of WGS.