# WGSS - Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

#### WGSS 120D Why Diversity Matters: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

An interdisciplinary examination of the ways that social diversity can be important and valuable to a variety of institutional and professional contexts as well as obstacles to, and potential strategies for, increasing diversity within communities

#### WGSS 201IH Intro to Feminist Theories: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

Major directions in feminist scholarship. Examination of the various schools of thought which have addressed gender inequities, and review of the strategies of cultural criticism which incorporate gender. -.

### WGSS 301RH Integrative Seminar in Women's Studies: 3 Credits (3 Other)

PREREQUISITE: WGSS 201IH or consent of instructor. Max 9 cr. The seminar builds on the theoretical issues in women's studies and addresses special topics each year from a variety of disciplines Repeatable up to 9 credits.

#### WGSS 378 LGBTQ Studies: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Sophomore standing or consent of instructor. Examines issues, questions, and interdisciplinary approaches that characterize the field of lesbian/gay/bisexual/trans/queer (LGBTQ) studies. It explores the formation of LGBTQ politics and cultures in the United States; theories of sexual and gender diversity; and sexuality and sexual identity as key categories for understanding knowledge and the self

## WGSS 454 The Study of Men & Masculinity: 3 Credits (3 Lec) PREREQUISITES: WGSS 201 or PSYX 101 or 230 or 235 or 335 or SOCI 101

This course explores masculine gender role socialization and its impact on individuals/society, with emphasis on men's development and mental health. Systems of patriarchy, privilege, and oppression and their impact on men, women, and society are also discussed.

WGSS/US/Department of Counselling Psychological Services.

#### WGSS 491 LGBTQ Studies: 3 Credits (1 Lec, 2 Other)

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#### WGSS 492 Independent Study: 1-3 Credits (1-3 Other)

PREREQUISITE: Junior standing, consent of instructor, and approval of the Director of University Studies. Directed study on an individual basis. - Repeatable up to 6 credits.

#### WGSS 494 Seminar: 3 Credits (3 Other)

PREREQUISITE: Junior standing and as determined for each offering. Timely and applied topics drawing on expert feminist voices from the field. Topics at the upper division level that are not covered in regular courses. Students prepare and present discussion material, read original research, and hear presentations by guest speakers