The Women's and Gender Studies minor combines two interdisciplinary fields to introduce students to a social, cultural, and historical overview of how gender has been lived and understood. The first field, Women's Studies, highlights the often overlooked experiences and contributions of women, both historically and in contemporary societies around the globe. The second field, Gender Studies, explores social constructions of gender and how those meanings intersect with sexuality, race, ethnicity, social class, disability, and age. The program slogan "a minor that makes a major difference," is two-fold. First, WGS aims to make a difference in the personal, intellectual, and professional lives of students by exposure to new, more inclusive ways of thinking and relating in society. Second, the minor intends to make a difference in a student's major field of study by providing concepts, perspectives, and insights that become "lenses" through which they engage in research and analyses. The WGS minor requires 18 credit hours consisting of one required course WGS 300, Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies and five 3-credit electives. Opportunities for independent study and for internships are also available.

**Women's and Gender Studies Minor requirements (18 credits):**

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**Total Credits**: 18
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