Women’s and Gender Studies

Major

Thirty semester hours of coursework in women’s and gender studies, 18 hours of which must be upper-division. It is recommended that six semester hours be taken in women’s and gender studies courses originating from outside the College of Liberal Arts. The 30 required semester hours must include the following:

a. Women's and Gender Studies 301, Introductory Topics in Women's and Gender Studies or Women's and Gender Studies 305, Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies

b. Women's and Gender Studies 340, Cross-Cultural Topics in Women's and Gender Studies

c. Three semester credit hours, chosen from a topic of Women's and Gender Studies 340 different from the one used for 2, above, or Women's and Gender Studies 335

d. Women's and Gender Studies 350, Feminist Theory, or another feminist theory course chosen from a list of courses approved by the Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

e. Women's and Gender Studies 356, Introduction to Feminist Research Methods, or another research methods course chosen from a list of courses approved by the Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

f. Women's and Gender Studies 379L, Internship in Women's and Gender Studies, or Women's and Gender Studies 360, Research and Thesis in Women's and Gender Studies

g. Women's and Gender Studies 379S, Senior Seminar

h. Nine additional hours women’s and gender studies, including six upper-division

5-Year Integrated BA/MA Program in Women’s and Gender Studies

The Department of Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies offers an integrated program to enable currently enrolled, highly motivated undergraduate students with strong intellectual capacities to earn a Bachelor of Arts in Women’s and Gender Studies and a Master of Arts in Women’s and Gender Studies within a five-year period.

The Integrated BA/MA (WGS) program serves to highlight the intellectual rigor of the WGS program; promote opportunities for undergraduate students to pursue advanced study; improve student preparation for competitive PhD programs; and improve job market opportunities for Liberal Arts graduates.

Eligibility Requirements include:

- Majoring in WGS at The University of Texas at Austin
- 3.0 GPA
- 60 hours of completed coursework, including timely progress in the Core Curriculum/College of Liberal Arts and WGS major requirements
- Meeting with WGS Undergraduate Advisor for appropriate paperwork to participate in the program every semester
- Consent of the graduate course instructor

Students who major in Women’s and Gender Studies within the College of Liberal Arts may begin this process during in March/April of their Sophomore year.

WGS BA students begin taking graduate courses in their Junior year. In the spring of their Senior year, they apply to the 5th Year through the online Apply Texas graduate school application.

Interested students should contact the Undergraduate Academic Advisor in WGS before the end of their Sophomore year (if possible) to determine eligibility.

If you are a current UT Austin student and would like to schedule an appointment with the WGS Undergraduate Academic Advisor, please use https://calendly.com/ajsalcedo to find a day and time that work for you.