GENDER, SEXUALITY, & WOMEN'S STUDIES

College of Letters & Science

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Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies (GSW)

GSW 050 — Introduction to Critical Gender Studies (4 units)
Course Description: Introduction to interdisciplinary, critical gender studies. The emergence of women’s, gender and feminist studies internationally, its links to women’s movements, and its influence within the various arts, humanities and social science disciplines.
Learning Activities: Lecture 3 hour(s), Discussion 1 hour(s).
General Education: Arts & Humanities (AH) or Social Sciences (SS); American Cultures, Governance, & History (ACGH); Domestic Diversity (DD); Writing Experience (WE).

GSW 070 — Theory & History of Sexualities (4 units)
Course Description: Key issues in the social construction, organization, and reproduction of sexualities such as the intersection of sexual identity with gender, race, ethnicity, and class, and the relation between movements for sexual liberation and the regulation of the body.
Learning Activities: Lecture/Discussion 4 hour(s).
Credit Limitation(s): Not open for credit to students who have taken WMS 070.
Grade Mode: Letter.
General Education: Arts & Humanities or Social Sciences; American Cultures, Governance, and History (ACGH); Domestic Diversity (DD); Writing Experience.

GSW 098 — Directed Group Study (1-5 units)
Course Description: Directed group study. Learning Activities: Prerequisite(s): Consent of instructor. Enrollment Restrictions: Credit Limitation(s): Cross Listing: Repeat Credit: General Education: Grade Mode: Passed/Not Passed only.
Learning Activities: Variable 1-5 hour(s).
Repeat Credit: May be repeated for credit.

GSW 099 — Special Study for Undergraduates (1-5 units)
Course Description: Special study for undergraduate students.
Learning Activities: Variable 1-5 hour(s).
Repeat Credit: May be repeated for credit.
Grade Mode: Pass/Not Passed only.

GSW 102 — Colonialism (4 units)
Course Description: Changing configurations of gender, class, culture and sexuality in colonial pacification and anti-colonial resistance in diverse societies.
Prerequisite(s): Consent of instructor.
Learning Activities: Lecture 4 hour(s).
Credit Limitation(s): Not open for credit to students who have taken WMS 102.
Grade Mode: Letter.
General Education: Arts & Humanities or Social Sciences; World Cultures; Writing Experience.

GSW 103 — Introduction to Feminist Theory (4 units)
Course Description: Introduction to the emergence of feminist theory and to key concepts in feminist theorizing. Examination of past and current debates over sexuality, race, identity politics, and the social construction of women's experience.
Prerequisite(s): GSW 050.
Learning Activities: Lecture/Discussion 4 hour(s).
Enrollment Restriction(s): Pass One open to GSW Majors only.
Grade Mode: Letter.
General Education: Arts & Humanities (AH) or Social Sciences (SS); American Cultures, Governance, & History (ACGH); Domestic Diversity (DD); Writing Experience (WE).

GSW 198 — Directed Group Study (1-5 units)
Course Description: Directed Group Study.
Learning Activities: Variable 1-5 hour(s).
Enrollment Restriction(s): Must be Upper Division Standing.
Repeat Credit: May be repeated for credit.
Grade Mode: Pass/Not Passed only.

GSW 199 — Special Study for Advanced Undergraduates (1-5 units)
Course Description: Special Study for Advanced Undergraduates.
Learning Activities: Variable 1-5 hour(s).
Repeat Credit: May be repeated for credit.
Grade Mode: Pass/Not Passed only.