

# Women and Gender Studies

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## Department Information

- **Department Location:**  
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- **Department Phone:**  
701-231-7290
- **Department Web Site:**  
[www.ndsu.edu/wgs/](http://www.ndsu.edu/wgs/) (<http://www.ndsu.edu/wgs/>)
- **Credential Offered:**  
B.S.; B.A.; Minor
- **Sample Program Guide:**  
[catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/women-gender-studies/](http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/women-gender-studies/) (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/women-gender-studies/>)

## Major Requirements

### Major: Women & Gender Studies

**Degree Type:** B.A. or B.S.

**Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate:** 120

### University Degree Requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of all requirements of the curriculum in which one is enrolled.
2. Earn a minimum total of 120 credits in approved coursework. Some academic programs exceed this minimum.
3. Satisfactory completion of the general education requirements as specified by the university.
4. A minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
5. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
6. Transfer Students: Must earn a minimum of 60 credits from a baccalaureate-degree granting or professional institution.
  - a. Of these 60, at least 36 must be NDSU resident credits as defined in #7.
  - b. Within the 36 resident credits, a minimum of 15 must be in courses numbered 300 or higher and 15 credits in the major field of study.
7. At least 36 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Resident credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2022-23/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section of this Bulletin.

### University General Education Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Communication (C)</b>		<b>12</b>
ENGL 110	College Composition I	
ENGL 120	College Composition II	
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
	Upper Division Writing <sup>†</sup>	
<b>Quantitative Reasoning (R) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Science and Technology (S) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts (A) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Social and Behavioral Sciences (B) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Wellness (W) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>2</b>
<b>Cultural Diversity (D) <sup>**†</sup></b>		
<b>Global Perspectives (G) <sup>**†</sup></b>		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>39</b>

- \* May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.
- † General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review major requirements to determine if specific courses can also satisfy these general education categories.
- A list of university approved general education courses and administrative policies are available here (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2022-23/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext>).

## AHSS Degree Requirements

**Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree** – The completion of a minor program of study.

**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree** – Second year language proficiency at college level required.

## Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences College Requirements

An additional 9 credits are required by the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences for a student whose primary degree is a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree in a major from the College of AHSS. These additional 9 credits are not required for the Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree, Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Environmental Design, Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, Bachelor of Music degree, for any student whose primary major or degree is not in the College of AHSS, or the student is earning two majors or two different degrees.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>AH&amp;SS College Requirements</b>		
Courses used to satisfy any general education requirement cannot be used to also count toward the AH&SS College Requirements. A minimum of three credits is required in each of the 3 following areas for a total of 9 credits. Choose only those courses with the prefixes listed for each area. A course with the WGS prefix can only be used in one area.		
<b>Area One: Humanities</b>		<b>3</b>
ARB, ENGL, FREN, GERM, HIST, HUM, PHIL, RELS, SPAN, TIPS or WGS		
<b>Area Two: Social Sciences</b>		<b>3</b>
ANTH, CJ, COMM, EMGT, POLS, SOC, or WGS		
<b>Area Three: Fine Arts</b>		<b>3</b>
ARCH, ART, ENVD, LA, MUSC, or THEA		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Women &amp; Gender Studies Major</b>		
SOC 424	Feminist Theory and Discourse	3
WGS 110	Introduction to Women's Studies (May satisfy general education category A and D)	3
WGS 112	Introduction to Masculinities (May satisfy general education category A and D)	3
WGS 340	Perspectives in LGBTQ Studies	3
WGS 350	Perspectives in Women's Studies	3
WGS 370	Transnational/Global Women	3
WGS 489	Internship/Capstone	3
<b>Electives: Select 12 credits from the following:</b>		<b>12</b>
CJ 465	Gender, Race and Ethnicity in Criminal Justice	
COMM 216	Intercultural Communication (May satisfy general education category B and D)	
COMM 380	Health Communication I	
COMM 383	Organizational Communication I	
COMM 412	Gender and Communication	
ENGL 330	Women's Writing (May satisfy general education category A and D)	
ENGL 335	Multicultural Writers (May satisfy general education category A and D)	
ENGL 454	Language Bias	
ENGL 459	Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal	
FREN 345	Women in French Literature	
HDFS 230	Life Span Development (May satisfy general education category B)	
HDFS 242	Couples, Marriages and Families (May satisfy general education category W)	

HDFS 275	Diversity and Multiculturalism in Individual and Family Life
HDFS 353	Children, Families and Public Policy
HDFS 448	Issues In Sexuality
HDFS 468	Families and Work
HIST 259	Women in European History 1400-1800
HIST 426	Women in American History
PSYC 210	Human Sexuality (May satisfy general education category B)
PSYC 250	Developmental Psychology (May satisfy general education category B)
SOC 235	Cultural Diversity (May satisfy general education category B and D)
SOC 410	Social Inequality
SOC 412	Sociology of Gender (May satisfy general education category B and D)
SOC 417	Sociology of the Family
SOC 439	Social Change
WGS 496	Field Experience

**Total Credits****33**

## Minor Requirements

### Minor: Women & Gender Studies

Required Credits: 18

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses</b>		
WGS 110	Introduction to Women's Studies	3
WGS 350	Perspectives in Women's Studies	3
<b>Core Courses: Select 12 credits of the following</b>		<b>12</b>
CJ 310	Women and Policing	
CJ 465	Gender, Race and Ethnicity in Criminal Justice	
COMM 216	Intercultural Communication	
COMM 380	Health Communication I	
COMM 383	Organizational Communication I	
COMM 412	Gender and Communication	
ENGL 330	Women's Writing	
ENGL 335	Multicultural Writers	
ENGL 454	Language Bias	
ENGL 459	Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal	
FREN 345	Women in French Literature	
HDFS 230	Life Span Development	
HDFS 242	Couples, Marriages and Families	
HDFS 275	Diversity and Multiculturalism in Individual and Family Life	
HDFS 353	Children, Families and Public Policy	
HDFS 448	Issues In Sexuality	
HDFS 468	Families and Work	
HIST 259	Women in European History 1400-1800	
HIST 260	Women In America	
POLS 350	Gender Issues and the Law	
POLS 351	Women and Politics	
PSYC 210	Human Sexuality	
PSYC 250	Developmental Psychology	
SOC 235	Cultural Diversity	
SOC 417	Sociology of the Family	
SOC 424	Feminist Theory and Discourse	
SOC 439	Social Change	

WGS 112	Introduction to Masculinities
WGS 340	Perspectives in LGBTQ Studies
WGS 370	Transnational/Global Women

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**Total Credits**

**18**

### **Minor Requirements and Notes**

- A minimum of 8 credits must be taken at NDSU