Gender, Women's, and Sexuality Studies, B.A.

Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the University's Four-Year Graduation Plan.

Before the third semester begins: GWSS:1001 Introduction to Gender, Women's, and Sexuality Studies

Before the fifth semester begins: GWSS:1002 Diversity and Power in the U.S. and two GWSS electives

Before the seventh semester begins: one GWSS distribution course (theory or comparative/non-U.S. focus) and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree

Before the eighth semester begins: GWSS:3005 Practicum; GWSS:3900 Creative and Critical Practice: Theories, Methods, and Skills for the Capstone Senior Project (Capstone Option A) or SJUS:3400 Advocacy and Engagement Colloquium (Capstone Option B); one more GWSS distribution course (theory or comparative/non-U.S. focus); and at least one more GWSS elective

During the eighth semester: enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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**Course** | **Title** | **Hours**
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**First Year** | | 
**Fall** | | 
GWSS:1001 | Introduction to Gender, Women's, and Sexuality Studies | 3
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200 | Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature | 3 - 4
GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture | 3
Elective course | 3
CSI:1600 | Success at Iowa | 2
| **Hours** | **14-15**
**Spring** | | 
GWSS:1002 | Diversity and Power in the U.S. | 3
ENGL:1200 or RHET:1030 | The Interpretation of Literature or Rhetoric | 3 - 4
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab | 4
GE CLAS Core: Social Sciences | 3
Elective course | 2
| **Hours** | **15-16**
**Second Year** | | 
**Fall** | | 
Major: Elective course | 3
Major: race/ethnicity in the U.S. focus course | 3
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning | 3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course | 4 - 5
Elective course | 3
| **Hours** | **16-17**
**Spring** | | 
Major: global/comparative focus course | 3
Major: Elective course | 3
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues | 3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course | 4 - 5
Elective course | 3
| **Hours** | **16-17**
**Third Year** | | 
**Fall** | | 
GWSS:3005 | Practicum | 3
Major: theory course | 3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives | 3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab | 3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course | 4 - 5
| **Hours** | **16-17**
**Spring** | | 
Major: transnational theory course | 3
Major: 3000-level or above elective course | 3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course | 4 - 5
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3
| **Hours** | **16-17**
**Fourth Year** | | 
**Fall** | | 
Major: 3000-level or above elective course | 3
SJUS:3400 or GWSS:3900 Colloquium | 3
or Creative and Critical Practice: Theories, Methods, and Skills for the Capstone Senior Project
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3
| **Hours** | **14**
**Spring** | | 
Major: 2nd capstone course (completion of option A or B) | 3
Elective course | 3
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Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline
(typically in February for spring, September for fall)

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a  GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.

b  Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.

c  Students select at least 12 s.h. in major electives with a minimum of 6 s.h. numbered 3000 or above.

d  See the General Catalog for list of approved courses.

e  Students who have completed four years of a single language in high school have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course.

f  Students who choose capstone option A complete GWSS:3900 and either GWSS:4090 or GWSS:4095. Students who choose capstone option B complete SJUS:3400 and either SJUS:4080 or SJUS:4085.

g  Typically this course is offered in fall semesters only. Check MyUI for course availability since offerings are subject to change.

h  Typically this course is offered in spring semesters only. Check MyUI for course availability since offerings are subject to change.

i  Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Graduation Services.