GENDER & WOMEN STUDIES







Gender & Women Studies uses feminist and interdisciplinary methods to teach, conduct research, and expand existing bodies of knowledge. Critical thinking, the production of theory, and the assumption of community and global responsibility are integral in these methods. Gender & Women Studies focuses on the interrelationship between the personal and the political, supporting and promoting feminist teaching, learning, research, scholarship, creative activity, and professional and community service, ext of the language. Gender & Women Studies majors are suited for careers within business, healthcare, human services, education, writing, non-profits, and law and politics.

You may choose to study Gender & Women Studies because you enjoy the subject but wish to pursue careers requiring "any major" associated with the industries listed above. In this scenario, it is critical to develop skills relevant to targeted fields through internships, part-time or summer jobs, or volunteer experiences.

Gender & Women Studies majors are excellent candidates for a number of graduate school options because of their broad liberal arts background as well as specific interests that may set them apart from other students. For those wishing to pursue graduate education, maintain a high GPA, establish relationships with faculty to secure strong recommendations, and gain experience through volunteer, work, or research opportunities. Research areas of interest for specific program requirements.

AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY



- Justice, Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion
- Consulting
- Human Resources
- Training & Development
- Medicine Specializing in Women's Issues
- Public Health
- Case Management
- Social Work
- Community Relations
- Mental Health Services
- Teaching

- Research
- Higher Education
- Writing
- Policy Analysis
- Grant Writing
- Fundraising/Development
- Program
 Management/Development
- Non-Profit Work
- Civil Law
- Public Policy
- Special Interest Advocacy

- Women's Advocacy Organizations
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Social Service Agencies
- Hospitals/Medical CentersUniversities & Colleges
- Human Rights Organizations
- Women's Service Organizations
- Women's Resource Centers
- Government Program
- Libraries
- Mental Health Institutions
- Federal, State, Local Government
- Organizations for Women's Aid
- Healthcare Settings for Women
- Public/Private Corporations (Women's Divisions)
- Newspapers/Magazines

COMMON EMPLOYERS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS

- National Women's Council
- National Women's Studies Association
- National Organization for Women



STRATEGIES ON ENTERING THE FIELD

- Engage in internships, part-time jobs, or volunteer opportunities with organizations and employers whose values align with yours.
- Pair an interest in Gender and Women's Studies with a skill, such as writing or communication to be able to
 write about topics associated with women, write policy that support women, or any type of publications that
 target a female audience.
- Seek leadership roles on campus such as a peer mentor, resident advisor, or as a leader in a student organizations revolved around supporting women.
- Engage with networking groups or professional organizations that are focused in promoting the development and advancement of women.
- Volunteer your time with organizations that support/provide aid to women
- Couple your coursework in Gender and Women Studies with another major or minor to have this major or minor serve as your application of your knowledge of Gender and Women Studies.