



## WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

### What YOU will learn:

Women's and gender studies will move you to an interdisciplinary program devoted to the study of women, gender, and sexuality. You will investigate the lives of women as writers and scholars, artists and activists, public figures and private citizens, in the past and the present. You will also study gender more broadly, which means you will look at feminine, masculine, and queer identities across time and cultures in order to understand how gender signifies relationships of power.

When you major in women's and gender studies, your core classes will include the Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies; Feminist Theories, Feminists' Perspectives; and a Senior Seminar. You may also choose to combine your major with another field, such as English, History, Journalism, Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology. In addition, you can elect to take courses like Gender and Communication, Women in Popular Culture, Philosophy of Feminism, Psychology of Gender, or Women in Contemporary Society.

### Career opportunities YOU will have:

Your women's and gender studies major provides valuable interdisciplinary training, appealing to employers and higher education programs alike. With coursework and experiences such as working for human rights and justice, traveling abroad to gain new perspectives, or taking advantage of an internship in any number of industries, you will be prepared for anything. You could pursue positions as a counselor, social worker, health care professional, editor, or teacher. You could also pursue graduate programs in a variety of disciplines or obtain a law or medical degree. Employment of recent Nebraska graduates include:

- Case Manager, Center Pointe
- Community Educator, Central Health Services
- Peace Corps Volunteer, Peace Corps
- Teller, Chase Bank
- Women's Advocate, The Friendship Home

### Why NEBRASKA for Women's and Gender Studies?

The personalized nature of WGS gives you the opportunity to interact both formally and informally by working one-on-one with faculty who have won numerous teaching awards, national book prizes and prestigious research grants. Attend our colloquium series, involving local and national scholars presenting their research. In addition, Women's and Gender Studies cooperates with other departments and groups to co-sponsor poetry readings, films, concerts, panel discussions, and art exhibits of women's work. Recent visitors and performers include Michael Kimmel, Lise Eliot, Sarah Schulman, Obioma Nnaemeka, Patricia Hill Collins, Mahnaz Afkhami, Darlene Clark Hine, Gloria Steinem, Minnie Bruce Pratt, Nomy Lamm, bell hooks, and the Guerrilla Girls.

Picture yourself engaging in research similar to these current student projects: *The Interactive Influence of Genes and Objectification on Eating Behavior*; *UNL's Women's and Gender Studies Program: A Brief Digital History*; and *Case Studies in Literature and Life: Depicting Domestic Violence*.

Get involved and connect with the department and your peers by joining student organizations like Students Advocating Gender Equality (SAGE) which seeks to provide a place of action, discussion, and academic development for students interested in feminist and gender concerns on the UNL campus and the Lincoln community; and Spectrum UNL which is dedicated to the promotion and wellness of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and allied students and staff.



## WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

	COURSE NAME	HOURS
<b>FIRST Semester</b>	WMNS 101: Introduction to Women's & Gender Studies (ACE 9)	3
	ACE 1: Written texts/research & knowledge skills	3
	ACE 2: Communication skills	3
	Language Prerequisite - 101 Level (Elective)	5
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>14</b>

	COURSE NAME	HOURS
<b>SECOND Semester</b>	Women's & Gender Studies Major Course	3
	College Distribution Requirement (CDR) A: Written communication	3
	ACE 6: Social Sciences	3
	Language Prerequisite - 102 Level (Elective)	5
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>14</b>

<b>THIRD Semester</b>	Women's & Gender Studies Major Course	3
	Women's & Gender Studies Major Course	3
	ACE 3: Mathematical/computational/statistical/formal reasoning	3
	Language Requirement - 201 Level (CDR E)	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	1
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>16</b>

<b>FOURTH Semester</b>	Women's & Gender Studies Major Course	3
	Women's & Gender Studies Major Course	3
	ACE 4: Scientific methods & knowledge of natural/physical world	3
	Language Requirement - 202 Level (CDR E)	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>FIFTH Semester</b>	Women's & Gender Studies 300 or 400 Level Course	3
	Women's & Gender Studies Major Course	3
	ACE 5: Humanities	3
	ACE 8: Ethics/civics/stewardship	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>SIXTH Semester</b>	Women's & Gender Studies 300 or 400 Level Course	3
	Women's & Gender Studies Major Course	3
	CDR C: Humanities	3
	CDR B, BL: Natural, Physical & Mathematical Sciences w/ Lab	4
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>16</b>

<b>SEVENTH Semester</b>	WMNS 485: Feminist Theories, Feminists' Perspectives	3
	CDR D: Social Sciences	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>EIGHTH Semester</b>	WMNS 400: Senior Seminar (ACE 10)	3
	ACE 7: Fine Arts	3
	CDR F: Additional breadth	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

**DISCLAIMER:** This document represents a sample 4-year plan for degree completion with a major of interest in the College of Arts and Sciences. Actual course selection and sequence may vary and should be discussed individually with an Academic Advisor at the college and department level.