## Gender and Sexualities Studies

**Director: Angelique Harris, Ph.D.**

The Gender and Sexualities Studies program offers a major or minor that promotes a critical, feminist and cross-cultural understanding of gender and power in a global context and across disciplinary boundaries. It provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary for just and equitable leadership in professional, civic and religious roles.

Students gain the knowledge and skills for understanding and recognizing:

- How gender has shaped the world around us and the ways we make sense of it.
- How sexism operates in a dynamic with other systems of oppression historically and in contemporary contexts.
- The diversity of women’s experiences and accomplishments.
- The diversity of gendered experiences and perspectives among women and men.
- How to embrace gender diversity and work for justice.
- How gender and sexuality intersect with race, class and other societal markers.

### Gender and Sexualities Studies

The interdisciplinary major in Gender and Sexualities Studies consists of one introductory course (3 credit hours), 8 courses (24 credit hours) across at least three subject areas and the senior capstone course (3 credit hours) for a total of 30 credit hours.

#### Required Courses:

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Choose eight of the following courses: 24

- ADVE 4200 Gender and Race in Advertising from the Inside Out
- ANTH 3330 Women and Men in Cross-Cultural Perspective
- ANTH 4320 Culture, Law and Violence
- COMM 4500 Race and Gender Issues in Mass Media
- CRLS 3640 Domestic Violence in the United States
- ENGL 4715 Children's Literature
- HIST 4245 Women in Western Civilization
- MANA 3035 Diversity in Organizations
- PHIL 3770 Feminist Philosophy
- PSYC 3220 Human Sexuality
- PSYC 4720 Psychology of Marriage and Family
- SOCI 3550 Race, Gender and Medicine
- SOCI 4430 Christianity and Sexuality in the U.S.
- SOCI 4450 Sociology of Sex and Gender

**Total Credit Hours:** 30

**Notes:**

- The two required courses are critical to the INGS major and cannot be waived or substituted. Both courses are offered annually. INGS 1001 Introduction to Gender and Sexualities Studies is offered every fall term and occasionally during spring term. INGS 4997 Gender and Sexualities Studies Capstone is offered in the spring term.
- Other courses relevant to INGS issues may be approved with consent of director of INGS.
- In the senior capstone course, INGS 4997, the student integrates their diverse academic experiences within INGS and devises a community-based project that meets their unique interests.

### Gender and Sexualities Studies Minor

The INGS minor consists of six courses (18 credit hours): the required INGS 1001 Introduction to Gender and Sexualities Studies, in addition to 5 courses (15 credit hours), with courses from at least three subject areas.

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- Other courses relevant to INGS issues may be approved with consent of director of INGS.
- The introductory required course is critical to the INGS minor and cannot be waived or substituted. INGS 1001 Introduction to Gender and Sexualities Studies is offered annually during the fall term.
- INGS Minors are strongly encouraged to take the INGS 4997 Gender and Sexualities Studies Capstone

Courses

**INGS 1001. Introduction to Gender and Sexualities Studies.** 3 cr. hrs.
Provides an introduction to the interdisciplinary study of gender and sexualities. Uses an intersectional framework to examine gender, gender roles, expectations and privileges. Students learn and utilize key terms and concepts in the field such as gender, sexuality, embodiment, feminism, womanism, patriarchy and more. Examines how people across differing races/ethnicities, classes, sexual identities and nationalities in various historical periods have made sense of, assumed, articulated and struggled against gendered identities.

**INGS 2001. Dialogues Across Difference.** 3 cr. hrs.
Students learn how to engage in dialogues across differences: how to hold productive, civil conversations about particularly fraught and challenging topics and current events. Students first learn the foundations of dialogue facilitation to gain the skills to interact with diverse audiences. Students then look at three “hot button” case studies to practice having difficult conversations within the classroom. By the end of the term, students gain a skill set that helps them engage a wide range of stakeholders in conversations about identity, power, violence, political representation and morality. Classroom conversations are supported with trips to Milwaukee-area organizations that engage dialogues across difference in their daily workplace practices.

**INGS 2951. MU Led Travel/Study Abroad.** 6 cr. hrs.
Course taught in an international setting by Marquette professors and where students earn Marquette credit. Study Abroad expenses apply. Prereq: Cons. of the Office of International Education.

**INGS 3001. Masculinities.** 3 cr. hrs.
Provides an in-depth perspective of men and masculinities of all backgrounds with an emphasis on violence, hypermasculinity, sexuality, socialization, health and fathering.

**INGS 3002. Gender, Labor and Human Trafficking.** 3 cr. hrs.
Students learn about migration, labor and exploitation from a critical trafficking studies perspective. Broadly, critical trafficking studies question the social constructions of human trafficking that fuel activism and public discourse. Students unpack the ways that larger economic and political systems affect individuals engaged in global markets. These systems also play a major role in anti-human trafficking efforts, such as statistical estimations of the scope of human trafficking and classification of countries’ anti-trafficking efforts. Special attention is paid to feminist perspectives on human trafficking, which frequently debate the relationship between sex work and sex trafficking; to smuggling and undocumented migration; and to the role of the carceral state in regulating the mobility and labor of particular individuals.

**INGS 3930. Special Topics in Gender and Sexualities Studies.** 1-3 cr. hrs.
Offered as an experimental course to evaluate and determine if a course should be incorporated into the regular curriculum of a program, or courses in the approval process pipeline, but not yet officially approved. Once the same course has been offered twice as a Special Topic, it cannot be offered again until it moves through the curriculum approval process and is approved with a regular curriculum course number.
INGS 4997. Gender and Sexualities Studies Capstone. 3 cr. hrs.
Capstone course is designed to enable upper-level students, and especially INGS majors and minors, to integrate the knowledge and experience gained in INGS courses and use that knowledge and experience as a springboard for future work. Prereq: INGS 1001 and two other INGS courses or cons. of program director.

INGS 9290. Lower Division Transfer Credit for Gender and Sexualities Studies: Elective. 1-4 cr. hrs.

INGS 9390. Upper Division Transfer Credit in Gender and Sexualities Studies: Elective. 1-6 cr. hrs.