

# GENDER STUDIES (GNDS)

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## GNDS 101 | INTRODUCTION TO GENDER STUDIES

**Units: 3 Repeatability: No**

**Core Attributes: First Yr Integration (LC Only), Social/Behavioral Inquiry area, Global Diversity level 1**

This course aims to offer an introduction to gender studies. The course will begin by examining the distinction between sex and gender, as well as how that distinction is employed in discussions of sexuality. Specifically, we will examine the so-called “nature” vs. “nurture” debate and the most recent scientific claims about “innate” sex differences. Next, the course will look into contemporary debates on sex work: prostitution and trafficking. From here we will engage critically with pornography in contemporary society. Is pornography harmful? Is it best understood as protected speech? How are sex workers treated within pornography? Are they oppressed? Are they workers like any other? Next, we will turn to examine the role of gender in inequality in the workplace and the relationship to inequality within the family. Finally, we will also examine the debate around rape on college campuses and Title IX.

## GNDS 294 | SPECIAL TOPICS IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

**Units: 0.5-4 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)**

A course focusing on topics of interest and importance to the study of gender. For example, topics might include such subjects as violence against women; the men's movement; contemporary theories of love relationships; and lesbian, gay, and bi-sexual issues. This course may be repeated for credit when the topic changes.

## GNDS 494 | SPECIAL TOPICS IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

**Units: 0.5-4 Repeatability: Yes (Can be repeated for Credit)**

An advanced course focusing on topics of interest and importance to the study of gender. For example, topics might include such subjects as violence against women; the men's movement; contemporary theories of love relationships; and lesbian, gay, and bi-sexual issues. This course may be repeated for credit when the topic changes. Students must have completed 12 units of coursework in the gender studies minor or have consent of the instructor.

## GNDS 495 | ADVANCED WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

**Units: 3 Repeatability: No**

**Core Attributes: Advanced Integration, Domestic Diversity level 2**

Prerequisites: GNDS 101

A capstone seminar course devoted to advanced study in the field, supplemented by directed research in students' areas of primary interest in their majors. When appropriate, it may include an internship component. The research experience will culminate in a symposium.

## GNDS 498 | SECOND SEMESTER JUNIOR STANDING IN INTEGRATED ENGINEERING OR CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR.

**Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Can be repeated for Credit)**

Directed upper division level internship/ co-operative experience in engineering research, design, development, manufacturing, or the engineering activity.

Written report required. Credit not applicable to minimum program graduation requirement. Placement contingent upon approval of participating organization. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisites:.

## GNDS 499 | INDEPENDENT STUDY

**Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Can be repeated for Credit)**

A program of advanced study in an area of special interest, arranged between the student and the instructor. The independent study must include at a minimum extensive readings, consistent consultations with the sponsoring instructor, and a final report or project.