Bachelor of Arts in Gender and Sexuality Studies

College of Arts and Sciences

EXAMINE the impact of gender and sexual identities on human relations within local, national, transnational, and global communities.

QUESTION the meaning of "male" and "female," as well as of sexual norms, in both Western and non-Western societies.

EXPLORE the interplay between institutions, culture, politics, social movements, and individual identity.

ENGAGE the needs of our communities by:

- Analyzing social inequities
- Confronting social injustice
- Initiating change, and
- Contributing to civic engagement.

STUDY

- Social Justice and Public Policy
- Historical and Global Perspectives
- Political and Social Organization
- Culture and Representation
- Mind & Body

The Gender and Sexuality Studies program seeks to prepare students who can bring to their professions and communities a commitment to social justice, compassion and responsible involvement in our increasingly diverse and global environment.

The interdisciplinary field of Gender & Sexuality Studies is committed to the creation and promotion of research and teaching that challenges racism, sexism, homophobia and related bigotries that undermine the possibility for all populations to exist free from discrimination, deprivation, hostility, violence and marginalization.

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Degree Requirements

Students must meet all university requirements for a bachelor's degree. In addition, students must earn a minimum grade of "C" in all the upper-division Gender and Sexuality Studies Core, Selective, and Major Elective courses at Governors State University.

General Education Requirements (37 Hours)

See Bachelor's Degree Requirements for general education requirements.

Core Courses (12 Hours)

GNSX - 2100 Intro Gender & Sexuality Studies (3)

GNSX - 3099 Theories in Practice (3) GNSX - 3500 Methods of Inquiry (3) GNSX - 4900 Senior Seminar (3)

Selectives (18 Hours)

Students must take 3 hours from each of the six selective areas.

Foundations (3 Hours)
Social Justice and Public Policy (3)
Historical and Global Perspectives (3)
Political and Social Organization (3)
Culture and Representation (3)
Mind and Body (3)

Gender and Sexuality Electives (12 Hours)

Students must take 12 hours of upper division elective courses in Gender and Sexuality Studies. Students may select classes from the above list of courses, or related special topics courses approved by their advisor. Students are also encouraged to seek out internship (GNSX - 4800 Internship in Gender and Sexuality Studies [1-3]) or independent study (GNSX - 4700 Independent Study [1-3]) opportunities.

With the advisor's approval, relevant Special Topics offerings may be used to meet program requirements.

Electives (41 Hours)

Students are strongly encouraged to earn a minor in a related area based on their career goals.

Total Minimum of 120 Hours

2016 - 17 Catalog Year

