

# WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES (WGS)

## Program Offered: Graduate Certificate

*This program is offered in Durham.*

The Graduate Certificate in Feminist Studies is intended to serve the needs of both students who are matriculated in a graduate program and non-degree students who are interested in developing specific knowledge in the areas of feminist theory, critical women's, gender, and sexuality studies as well as feminist methodologies. There are three specific audiences:

- *Current and future UNH graduate students* from a variety of M.A. and Ph.D. programs who would like to connect their area of study to feminist theory and critical women's, sexuality, and gender studies, gain specific knowledge and skills in Feminist Studies and graduate with an additional, demonstrable credential;
- *UNH graduates* with bachelor's degrees, who may or may not have majored or minored in Women's Studies, whose career paths have led them to seek more knowledge and skills in feminist theory and critical women's, gender, and sexuality studies in order to gain a deeper understanding of the issues involved in their current job and/or to pursue advancement in their field;
- *Members of the community* or residents of the greater Seacoast region who hold a bachelor's or graduate degree who are interested in connecting their previous areas of study or current intellectual or political interests with the aspects of feminist theory and critical women's, gender, and sexuality studies by pursuing additional knowledge and skills in these areas.

Please visit the [Graduate School Website](#) for detailed instructions about applying for the graduate certificate program.

<https://cola.unh.edu/womens-gender-studies>

## Programs

- [Feminist Studies \(Graduate Certificate\)](#)

## Courses

### WGS 832 - Feminist Theory

**Credits:** 4

A multidisciplinary introduction to some of the major conversations and methodologies in feminist theory (e.g., materialist feminism, standpoint epistemologies, psychoanalysis, discourses of sexuality and the body, transnational feminism, postcolonialism and decolonization). Critical readings of landmark and more recent feminist texts, and discussion of gender in relation to other categories of analysis including sexuality, race, class, nation, disability and religion.

**Equivalent(s):** WS 832

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

### WGS 895 - Directed Study

**Credits:** 1-4

Independent study of advanced or specialized topics requiring extensive reading and writing. To be elected only with permission of the Department Chair and of the supervising faculty member.

**Repeat Rule:** May be repeated for a maximum of 4 credits.

**Equivalent(s):** WGS 899, WS 895, WS 899

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

### WGS 898 - Colloquium in Feminist Studies

**Credits:** 4

An advanced course on a topic to be chosen by the instructor. Please inquire at the Women's Studies office for a full course description each time the course is offered. Examples include Equality, Privacy and Consent; Queer Theory; Transnational Feminisms; Major Women Writers.

**Equivalent(s):** WS 898

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

### WGS 899 - Directed Study

**Credits:** 1-4

Directed study for graduate students.

**Repeat Rule:** May be repeated for a maximum of 4 credits.

**Equivalent(s):** WGS 895, WS 899

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

## Faculty

[Women's and Gender Studies Department Faculty](#)