SOCIAL JUSTICE LEADERSHIP MINOR

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Description

The minor in social justice leadership engages students in an exploration of policies, power dynamics, institutions, and structures that promote and hinder equity and processes of change required for social justice. Students will examine various forms of injustice such as sexism, racism, classism, ableism, and environmental degradation. The minor is grounded in three pillars — a theory component, a leadership component, and experiential learning activities. The minor is interdisciplinary in nature, drawing on disciplines such as anthropology, education, English, history, philosophy, political science, social work, and sociology. After completing the curriculum, students will have gained a historical perspective, theoretical understanding, and applied leadership skills. The minor certifies students' knowledge regarding, and commitment to, social justice leadership, which will be useful in postgraduate pursuits.

Requirements

**THEORY**
- WS 401 Introduction to Women's Studies 4
- or WS 405 Gender, Power and Privilege

**LEADERSHIP**
- WS 505 Survey in Women's Studies (Leadership Part I) 4
- or WS 796 Advanced Topics

**APPLIED**
Choose one capstone course from the following (normally taken at the end of the course sequence):
- WS 795 Independent Study
- WS 796 Advanced Topics
- WS 797 Internship
- WS 798 Colloquium

Choose two electives in Social Justice and/or Leadership (see list below) 8

Total Credits 20

Approved Electives

**Courses in the Women's Studies Program**
- WS 515 Game Girl: The Social Construction of Gender Identities in Video Games 4
- WS 632 Feminist Thought 4
- WS 795 Independent Study 1-4
- WS 796 Advanced Topics 4
- WS 797 Internship 4
- WS 798 Colloquium (such as Women in Prison) 4

**Courses in Other College of Liberal Arts Departments**
- ANTH 500 Peoples and Cultures of the World (Sub-Saharan Africa) 4
- ANTH 625 Sexuality in Cross-Cultural Perspectives 4
- ANTH 680 Globalization, Development, and Poverty 4
- ANTH 685 Gender, Sexuality and HIV/AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa 4
- ANTH 740 Teaching Race 4
- ANTH 750 Islam and Gender: Gendered Lives of Muslims 4
- CMN 505 Analysis of Popular Culture 4
- CMN 567 Gender, Race, and Class in the Media 4
- CMN 757 Public Address and the American Experience (Social Protest: Rhetoric of Resistance) 4
- EDUC 444B Be the Change You Want to See: Active Citizenship in a Multicultural World 4
- EDUC 500 Exploring Teaching 4
- EDUC 717 Growing up Male in America 4
- ENGL 585 Introduction to Women in Literature (Dreamgirls: Studies in Beautiful Blackness) 4
- ENGL 650 Studies in American Literature and Culture (Latina/o Literature, Playing in the Dark: Race & Sex in American Literature, American Literature & Consumer Culture) 4
- ENGL 693 Special Topics in Literature (Literary Responses to the Holocaust) 4
- ENGL 733 Special Studies in Film (Race & Gender) 4
- ENGL 738 Topics in Asian American Studies (Beauty Queens & Silver Screens) 4
- ENGL 739 American Indian Literature 4
- ENGL 785 Major Women Writers 4
- HIST 566 Comparative Revolutions: How to Make a Revolution in the World before Marx 4
- HIST 624 Topics in Modern United States Social History (Reform Movements & Popular Protest) 4
- HIST 665 Themes in Women's History (Gender & Politics) 4
- HIST 690 Seminar: Historical Exp (Gay & Lesbian History: From the Victorian Era to Stonewall) 4
- HIST 797 Colloquium (Citizenship & Inequality in the Americas) 4
- HUMA 592 Special Topics in the Humanities (Women in Western Religion: Goddesses, Witches, Saints & Sinners) 2-8
- HUMA 700 Seminar (Love & Ethics) 4
- PHIL 430 Ethics and Society 4
- PHIL 436 Social and Political Philosophy 4
- PHIL 450 Environmental Ethics 4
- PHIL 510 Philosophy and Feminism 4
- POLT 548 Drug Wars 4
The WS core faculty will consider approving other courses that include more than 50% of content related to social justice leadership.

Once students have declared the minor, they are required to meet with the coordinator or appropriate affiliated faculty advisor at least once per semester for regular review of progress towards the degree.

Transfer credits may be approved by the coordinator to count towards the minor. If the transfer credit is accepted by the university and fits within the scope of the minor, it will be considered.