

GENDER STUDIES, MINOR

Western Sydney University Minor Code: 0295

Available to students in other Western Sydney University

Programs: Yes. Check that your program has the available credit points required to complete the subjects in this field of study. Any requisite requirements must also be met. Consult your Program Advisor for further advice.

The Gender Studies minor provides an innovative inter-disciplinary course of study that includes units from English, Criminology, Anthropology, Culture and Society, History and Political Thought, Sociology, Disability Studies, and Islamic Studies. Students may tailor their selection of units to construct a minor that reflects their personal and academic interests. A key feature of the minor is the focus on intersectionality. An intersectional approach links the study of gender to other significant axes of privilege and discrimination including 'race', sexuality, ethnicity, (dis)ability and the perspectives and position of First Nations people. Completion of this minor will equip students with the critical competencies they need to analyse the complex dynamics of gender in 21st century Australia, and to be informed agents of change in their personal and professional lives. Most professions now require not only a basic grasp of equity and diversity issues, but also, the capacity to act on these in the provision of inclusive services. Completion of a minor in Gender Studies opens up research and policy career pathways in the State and federal public service, as well as within the private sector. There is also high demand for gender studies expertise in research, policy and advocacy skills in NGOs. The minor provides comprehensive grounding in the area for students interested in post-graduate study.

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Bankstown		Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au
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Parramatta		Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au
South			
Penrith		Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au

Minor Structure

Students must complete 40 credit points

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Select one of the following:		10
HUMN 2040	Politics of Sex and Gender	
HUMN 2025	Families and Intimate Life	

And three of the following subjects

- At least 2 of these must be level 3.
- If students wish to complete a second level 2 unit, they may choose the alternate compulsory unit or any other level 2 unit.

Level 2 Subjects

Subject	Title	Credit Points
LANG 2039	Sexual/Textual Politics in Victorian Women's Writing	10
HUMN 2061	Women with Muslim Identity	10

Level 3 Subjects

Subject	Title	Credit Points
HUMN 3078	The Anthropologies of Gender and Sexualities	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
HUMN 3098	Genders and sexualities: beyond the binary	10
HUMN 3040	From Vindication to Liberation: A Comparative History of Feminism	10
LANG 3087	Women's Writing	10
HUMN 3048	History of Sexuality	10
WELF 3022	Disability and Sexuality	10