REQUIREMENTS FOR THE WGS GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

The WGS Graduate Certificate requires 12 credit hours of course work (four classes), including one core course and three electives.

The required class is:
- WGS 490: Feminist Theories and Methodological Issues, or ENG 460: Feminist Literary Theories

Three electives may be chosen from our list of 20 regularly offered electives. Visit our website for a complete list of electives. WGS.IllinoisState.edu/Academics.

HOW DO I ADD THE WGS GRADUATE CERTIFICATE?

Email or call the WGS academic advisor to schedule a meeting:

WGSadvisor@IllinoisState.edu
(309) 438-2947
For more information, visit WGS.IllinoisState.edu

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY ABOUT WGS

“The WGS program at ISU really shaped who I am as a person and as a man ... the WGS program helped me understand some of the political, ideological, and patriarchal forces that shape social and power structures in various parts of the globe.” —Sam Kamara

“My WGS classes opened up areas of personal and academic insight that I was not previously aware of ... I am a richer person for the vocabulary and perspectives I have picked up in such a short time.” —Katherine Elrick
The Women’s and Gender Studies (WGS) Program is a multidisciplinary community of scholars committed to a transformative analysis of gender as it intersects with class, sexuality, race, ethnicity, ability, age, nationality, and transnationality. We are engaged in innovative and collaborative scholarship, teaching, and service that promote new knowledge and socially responsible activism.

We do this by offering—in over 10 departments—an extensive curriculum, extracurricular programming, internship opportunities, and partnerships with on-campus student groups.

**THE WGS GRADUATE CERTIFICATE**

The graduate certificate in Women’s and Gender Studies is an option for students whose interest in women and gender issues leads them toward particular courses and thesis topics in their department/school and for those who seek further work in interdisciplinary feminist theory and methods.

**EXPLORE OUR VIBRANT COMMUNITY!**

**Scholarships**

The Anne M. Semlak Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a graduate or an undergraduate student active in the WGS program.

**Research opportunities**

The annual Women’s and Gender Studies Student Research Symposium is a day-long conference highlighting recent research and creative works by our students. Students interested in topics related to gender and its intersections with sexuality, race, class, coloniality, ability, etc., present their ideas in a supportive community setting.

**WGS Graduate Certificate for Social Work Students**

If you are pursuing a graduate degree in Social Work and would like to enhance your education by also receiving a graduate certificate in WGS, please review the Social Work with Graduate Certificate brochure available online.

**CORE/AFFILIATED FACULTY**

**Anthropology**
- Gina Hunter
- Liv Stone

**Art**
- Saskia Beranek
- Lea Cline
- Elisabeth Friedman
- Melissa Johnson
- Jin Lee
- Melissa Oresky
- Vanessa Schulman

**Biological Sciences**
- Christopher Horvath

**Communication**
- K. Megan Hopper

**Criminal Justice Sciences**
- Dawn Beichner
- Shelly Clevenger
- Jessie Krienert
- Cara Rabe-Hemp

**Educational Administration and Foundations**
- Diane Dean
- Venus Evans-Winters

**English**
- Lee Brasseur
- Chris Breu
- Kass Fleisher
- Angela Haas
- Kirstin Hotelling-Zona
- Cynthia Huff
- Elise Hurley
- Julie Jung
- Tara Lyons
- Rebecca Saunders
- Roberta Seelinger-Trites
- Erika Sparby

**Geography/Geology**
- Reecia Orzeck

**History**
- Kyle Ciani
- Linda Clemmons
- Georgia Tsouvala
- Christine Varga-Harris
- Amy Wood

**Languages, Literatures, and Cultures**
- Jennifer Howell
- Juliet Lynd

**Milner Library**
- Vanette Schwartz
- Shari Zeck

**Music**
- A. Oforiwaa Aduonum

**Philosophy**
- Alison Bailey
- Eric S. Godoy
- Cassie Herbert
- Christopher Horvath

**Politics and Government**
- Osaore Aideyan
- Ali Riaz
- Julie Webber

**Psychology**
- Marla Reese-Weber
- Rocio Rivadeneyra
- Kim Schneider

**Social Work**
- Cynthia Edmonds-Cady
- Amy L. Wright

**Sociology**
- Tom Gerschick
- Maria Schmeckle
- Richard Sullivan
- Maura Toro-Morn
- Chris Wellin
- Jason Whitesel

**Theatre**
- Ann Haugo
- Janet Wilson

**Women’s and Gender Studies**
- Alison Bailey
- Tanya Diaz-Kozlowski
- Jason Whitesel