Any student enrolled in a UW–Madison doctoral program can pursue a doctoral minor in gender and women's studies. The doctoral minor offers substantial and systematic training in the field of gender and women's studies and can be tailored to a student's specific interests. A doctoral minor in gender and women's studies is an excellent way to gain training in feminist analysis and research methods as well as in substantive topical areas related to women and gender that can be applied to one's research field and to one's teaching. The training is greatly aided by the presence of outstanding library holdings and a gender and women's studies librarian.

Graduate students may not earn both an Option A minor and graduate/professional certificate in gender and women's studies.

**REQUIREMENTS**

**OPTION A MINOR**

Graduate students who wish to pursue an Option A external minor in gender and women's studies should consult the associate chair of the Department of Gender and Women's Studies. Courses are chosen in conjunction with the associate chair, who serves as the minor advisor, and the student's departmental advisor. A student may earn a doctoral minor in gender and women's studies with 9 credits, if all 9 credits are exclusively graduate-level GEN&WS courses numbered 700 and above. Alternatively, a student may earn the minor with 12 credits if these are courses numbered 300 and above and identified as designed for graduate work. One course must be GEN&WS 900 Approaches to Research in Women's Studies/Gender Studies. Students are expected to achieve a B or better in all courses used for the minor. Directed study courses do not count toward the minor. Students may not use colloquium or "brown bag" format courses toward requirements of the doctoral minor. Transferred credits are discouraged, but may be allowed with approval of the associate chair. If a student is pursuing two Ph.D. minors, no more than one course shall overlap between the gender and women's studies minor and the other minor.

**OPTION B MINOR**

Graduate students who wish to pursue an Option B minor combine coursework with a gender component from two or more departments outside the student's major department. The student's home department is responsible for approving an Option B minor.

**PEOPLE**

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