The Graduate/Professional Certificate in Gender and Women's Studies is designed to provide students with gender expertise that they can apply in a variety of fields. The requirement of a foundational course provides grounding in the major concepts, theories, and research approaches related to the study of gender and women. This foundation provides the necessary theoretical tools to allow students to analyze gender and its relationship with other socially meaningful categories such as class, race, ethnicity, disability, and sexuality in a variety of contexts. Two additional courses allow students to deepen their empirical knowledge of women and/or gender in a specific area or areas. Choice in these courses allows students to tailor their study to areas related to future career or study ambitions.