The Gender and Women's Studies (GWS) curriculum provides a platform for students to study how equity and social justice are connected to
gender, sexuality, and identity. Gender and Women's Studies students
explore the field through traditional disciplines, such as literature, history,
anthropology, sociology, public health, education, law, biology, psychology,
political science, and the visual arts. Students in our courses (https://
public.enroll.wisc.edu/search/?term=0000&subject=963) develop strong
analytical and communication skills through classroom discussion,
writing, and independent projects. Undergraduates in our programs can
pursue research skills through thesis writing, as well as professional
development opportunities through career workshops with alumni and
in our internship program (https://gws.wisc.edu/gws660/). As a result,
graduates from our programs apply a critical lens in fields like health
and public policy, social justice and advocacy, reproductive justice,
non-profit administration, clinical medicine, software development,
communications, and media production.

At the undergraduate level, the Department of Gender and Women's
Studies offers a variety of programs. Students can declare the Gender
and Women's Studies major (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/
letters-science/gender-womens-studies/gender-womens-studies-
ba/) and/or certificates, or minors, in Gender and Women's Studies or
LGBTQ+ Studies. The Gender and Women's Studies certificate (http://
guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/gender-womens-studies/
gender-womens-studies-certificate/) and the LGBTQ+ Studies certificate (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/gender-womens-
studies/lgbtq-plus-studies-certificate/) are both 5-course, 15-credit
programs.

For more information about the department, including course listings,
undergraduate advising, sample syllabi, and faculty bios, students can
visit the GWS website (http://www.gws.wisc.edu).

DEGREES/MAJORS/CERTIFICATES

- Gender and Women’s Studies, B.A. (http://guide.wisc.edu/
  undergraduate/letters-science/gender-womens-studies/gender-
  womens-studies-ba/)
- Gender and Women’s Studies, B.S. (http://guide.wisc.edu/
  undergraduate/letters-science/gender-womens-studies/gender-
  womens-studies-bs/)
- Gender and Women’s Studies, Certificate (http://guide.wisc.edu/
  undergraduate/letters-science/gender-womens-studies/gender-
  womens-studies-certificate/)
- LGBTQ+ Studies, Certificate (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/
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