

GENDER, SEXUALITY, & WOMEN'S STUDIES, BA: FEMINIST STUDIES

A concentration with a broad range, Feminist Studies covers topics ranging from politics to policy, to research methods and methodologies. For example, students with a concentration in Feminist Studies may be interested in focusing on how feminist policy has shaped political life in the United States, researching the ways that feminist advocacy has shaped political movements in Latin America, or examining how feminist approaches to research methods have transformed data collection in particular fields.

The minimum total course units (<https://www.college.upenn.edu/credits-needed-major/>) for graduation in this major is 33. Double majors may entail more course units.

For more information: <https://gsws.sas.upenn.edu/program/undergraduate/major> (<https://gsws.sas.upenn.edu/program/undergraduate/major/>)

For information about the General Education requirements, please visit the College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum (<https://www.college.upenn.edu/curriculum/>) page.

Code	Title	Course Units
College General Education Requirements and Free Electives		
Foundational Approaches + Sectors ¹ + Free Electives		20
Major Requirements		
<i>Required Courses</i>		
GSWS 0002	Gender and Society	1
GSWS 0003	Introduction to Sexuality Studies and Queer Theory	1
GSWS Theory Course:		1
GSWS Course with Attribute: AGWT - Theory (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwt/)		
And courses by permission of Program Associate Director		
<i>Feminist Studies Concentration Requirements</i>		
Select 5 courses with 4 courses in at least two different departments		5
Attribute: AGWF - Feminist Studies (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwf/)		
And courses by permission of Program Associate Director		
<i>Elective Courses</i>		
Select 4 elective courses		4
GSWS 0000:4999		
Attribute: AGWF - Feminist Studies (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwf/)		
Attribute: AGWG - Global Gender and Sexuality Studies (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwg/)		
Attribute: AGWH - Health and Disabilities (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwh/)		
Attribute: AGWL - LGBTQ Studies (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwl/)		

Attribute: AGGR - Major Related Courses (<http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/aggr/>)

And courses by permission of Program Associate Director

Research/Capstone Requirement 1

GSWS 4000 GSWS Honors Thesis Seminar
GSWS 4999:9999

And courses at the 5000 level and above by permission of Program Associate Director

Total Course Units 33

¹ You may count no more than one course toward both a Major and a Sector requirement. For Exceptions, check the Policy Statement (<http://www.college.upenn.edu/sectors-policy/>).

Honors

Students with an overall GPA of 3.4 and 3.6 or better in the major are eligible for honors.

Concentrations

Students may select one of five concentrations (<https://gsws.sas.upenn.edu/program/undergraduate/major/concentrations/>):

- Feminist Studies
- Global Gender and Sexuality Studies
- Health and Disability
- LGBTQ Studies
- Self-designed

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2025 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.