

GENDER, SEXUALITY, & WOMEN'S STUDIES, BA: GLOBAL GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES

This concentration is for students interested in exploring transnational feminist and queer approaches to scholarship in a variety of fields. Recent concentrations in this area have focused on global health policy, transnational literary critique, and transnational approaches to queer studies.

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/>

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 (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwt/)		
And courses by permission of Program Associate Director		
<i>Global Gender and Sexuality Studies Concentration Requirements</i>		
Select 5 courses with 4 courses in at least two different departments		5
Attribute: AGWG - Global Gender and Sexuality Studies (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/agwg/)		
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		

<i>Research/Capstone Requirement</i>		1
GSWS 4000	GSWS Honors Thesis Seminar	
GSWS 4999:9999		
And courses 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.