

# WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

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Department Website (<http://artsandsciences.sc.edu/wgst/>)

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The Women's and Gender Studies Program at the University of South Carolina promotes an understanding of the experiences of women and other underrepresented groups through a complete program of teaching, research, and service to the University, the local community, the state, the nation and the global community. Through its research mission, the program reconceptualizes knowledge, creates new knowledge, and reinterprets existing knowledge through the lens of gender and the prism of diversity. Its teaching mission is to share this knowledge with students so that they learn to think critically, to communicate effectively, to solve problems, and to interpret human experience. Emerging from an activist tradition, the program serves University, local, state, national and global communities by acting as a resource and guide for issues related to women and gender. Our research, teaching, and service missions interweave as we create, share, and apply the knowledge, skills, and values that promote the full participation of women and other underrepresented groups in society.

There are two introductory courses: WGST 112 and WGST 113. Students in the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Music may apply WGST 112 for social science general education requirements. WGST 112 may be counted for elective credit in the Moore School of Business, the School of Journalism and Mass Communications, and the College of Nursing.

## Women's and Gender Studies Minor

Students may minor in women's and gender studies by completing 18 hours of specified courses.

## Bachelor of Arts in Women's and Gender Studies

A student may also pursue a major in the field through the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in women's and gender studies.

Further information may be obtained from the College of Arts and Sciences or the Women's and Gender Studies.