Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Graduate Certificate

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The Graduate Certificate in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WGSS) is designed for students currently enrolled in a Northeastern University master's or doctoral program. The certificate aims to provide enhanced competency by:

- Analyzing contemporary feminist theoretical frameworks, methodologies, issues, and topics and their relation to established disciplines
- Focusing on the intersection of gender with sexuality, race, class, and other vectors of power and identity
- Broadening and enriching analytical skills in one or more disciplines while drawing on the interdisciplinary perspectives of WGSS
- Challenging the traditional separation of academic theory from political and professional practice

Prospective certificate students are advised initially to consult with the WGSS program director to develop a plan for completing the certificate.

WGSS also offers a specific path for master's of public health students to complete a graduate certificate in WGSS. MPH students are able to apply theories, concepts, and methods gained from the WGSS certificate to urban health issues. Certificate students will work with an advisor in the public health program to develop a plan for completing the certificate.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Requirements

Required Course Work

Complete one of the following:  

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<td>WMNS 6100</td>
<td>Theorizing Gender and Sexuality</td>
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<td>WMNS 7615</td>
<td>Feminist Inquiry</td>
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<td>WMNS 7100</td>
<td>Queer Theory: Sexualities, Genders, Politics</td>
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Electives

Complete three of the following. At least one course must come from outside the student's home discipline. Any course not taken to complete the required course work may be taken as an elective. Electives outside this list may be chosen in consultation with program director.

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<td>CAEP 6380</td>
<td>Seminar in Feminist Psychology</td>
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<td>CRIM 7210</td>
<td>Gender, Crime, and Justice</td>
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<td>HIST 7290</td>
<td>Race and Gender Frontiers: U.S. Encounters with Empire</td>
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HIST 7304 Research Seminar in Gender and Society in the Modern World

SOCL 7202 Feminist Theory

SOCL 7212 Feminist Methodologies

SOCL 7222 Gender and Globalization

SOCL 7225 Gender and Social Movements

SOCL 7236

SOCL 7237 Women, Men, and Social Change

SOCL 7242

SOCL 7248 Race, Gender, Class: Feminist View

SOCL 7265 Sociology of Gender

SOCL 7273 Gender and Social Policy

WMNS 7635 Understanding the Pornographic and the Obscene

WMNS 7642 Gender, Race, and the Complexities of Science and Technology

WMNS 7645 Motherhood and Mothering: Theory, Discourse, Practice, and Change

WMNS 7900 Special Topics in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

WMNS 7976 Directed Study

The following courses are required for MPH students, in addition to one elective from the list above:

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<td>Race, Ethnicity, and Health in the United States</td>
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<td>or PHTH 6204</td>
<td>Society, Behavior, and Health</td>
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<td>PHTH 6910</td>
<td>Public Health Capstone</td>
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Program Credit/GPA Requirements

12 total semester hours required
Minimum 3.00 GPA required