GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES MAJOR

Students must also complete the Undergraduate Registration Requirement (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/undergraduate-registration-requirement/) and the degree requirements of their home school.

Course | Program Courses (11 units)
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2 Core Courses:  
GNDR_ST 220-0 | Sexual Subjects: Introduction to Sexuality Studies
GNDR_ST 230-0 | Traditions in Feminist Thought
2 Theory Courses:  
GNDR_ST 381-0 | Queer Theory
GNDR_ST 380-0 | Black Feminist Theory
or GNDR_ST 397-0 | Feminist Theory
2 Research Courses:  
GNDR_ST 350-3 | Research Seminar in Gender & Sexuality Studies
or GNDR_ST 350-4 | Research Seminar in Gender & Sexuality Studies
or GNDR_ST 350-6 | Research Seminar in Gender & Sexuality Studies
GNDR_ST 396-0 | Senior Capstone Seminar
or GNDR_ST 398-0 | Senior Research Seminar
5 Additional Courses, including:  
At least 3 at the 300 level
At least 1 with a historical focus 1
At least 1 with a transnational focus 2

Related Courses (4 units)
At least 2 at the 300 level

Gender & Sexuality Studies courses (including co- or cross-listed) may be counted. Other courses that focus on gender and/or sexuality but are not co- or cross-listed may be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

1 Historical focus courses may include (but are not limited to): GNDR_ST 233-0 Gender, Politics, and Philosophy, GNDR_ST 321-0 Gender, Sexuality and History, GNDR_ST 324-0 US Gay and Lesbian History.
2 Transnational courses may include (but are not limited to): GNDR_ST 341-0 Transnational Perspectives on Gender and Sexuality, GNDR_ST 353-0 Gender and Citizenship, GNDR_ST 363-0 Postcolonial Studies and Gender and Sexuality.

Honors in Gender and Sexuality Studies

Majors with strong academic records and an interest in pursuing honors should contact the honors coordinator (typically the Director of Undergraduate Studies) in their junior year and identify a faculty member who will serve as thesis adviser. Students whose theses and grades meet program criteria are recommended to the college for graduation with honors. For more information, consult the Director of Undergraduate Studies and see Honors in the Major (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#academicoptiontext).