Curriculum Guide:
Gender and Feminist Psychology

This Curriculum Guide is not a major or minor plan; it is a list of recommended courses for students interested in studying gender and other psychology issues from a feminist perspective, and who are also interested in women’s studies, sociology, public policy, social work and health related fields.

Note on Pre-requisites: Many of these courses have pre-requisites. Please refer to the current LSA Bulletin or course guide for information regarding which courses are required. It is important that pre-requisites are taken early in a student’s academic career so that they will be completed in time to take the desired course.

Core Courses on Gender and Feminist Psychology
The best entry point into courses in this area is PS/WS291 Introduction to Psychology of Women and Gender.

Other core courses offered in the Psychology department, and sequenced to build on one another, include
- PS121/WS253 First-Year Seminar in Psychology as a Natural Science: Gender, Sex, and Sexuality in Science and Medicine
- PS/WS225 Psychology of Human Sexuality
- PS/WS394 Sex, Sexuality and Public Policy
- PS400/WS432 Biopsychological Approaches to Gender/Sex
- PS401/WS345 Psychology of Social Change: Gender and Global Feminisms
- PS430/WS452 Sexuality and Science

Breadth Courses
These courses are recommended to be taken early in the student’s major plan as they serve as prerequisites to many upper division courses.
- 260 Introduction to Organizational Psychology
- 280 Introduction to Social Psychology
- 290 Introduction to the Psychology of Personality

Lab Courses
The following courses may be used to satisfy a major lab requirement.
- 310 Processes of Intergroup Dialogue Facilitation (SOC 320)
- 311 Practicum in Facilitating Intergroup Dialogues (SOC 321)
- 317 Community Based Research (AMCULT 306)
- 325 Practicum in the Multicultural Community (AMCULT 321)
- 381 Advanced Laboratory in Social Psychology (SOC 472)
- 391 Advanced Laboratory in Personality
- 331 Research Methods in Brain, Behavior, and Cognitive Science

Upper Division (300-499) Psychology Courses
Students are advised to take as many upper-division courses as possible to fulfill the major credit hours. Most students wishing to specialize in this area are advised to take more than the minimum 34 credits required. In addition to the core courses listed above, students might consider taking:
- 353 Social Development

Interdisciplinary Courses
These courses found across the university are recommended to give students a broad, interdisciplinary background in the area of gender, psychology, and society. Students should consider how these courses may be used to satisfy other degree requirements (e.g. Area Distribution credit, Race and Ethnicity, Quantitative Reasoning, and Upper Level Writing Requirements).

There are many courses in Women's Studies with a focus on gender that students could take. We offer only a partial list of some of those here as they relate to psychology. Students should refer to the LS&A Bulletin for more detailed descriptions. Interdisciplinary GPS Courses continued:
- ANTHRCUL 302 Sex and Gender in Japan
- HISTORY 372/ WOMENSTD 372 Women in European History, 1750 to the Present
- History 429/WOMENSTD 471 Gender and Sexuality in Pre-Modern Islam
- POLSCI 401/ WOMENSTD 422 Feminist Political Theory
- SOC 447 Sociology of Gender
- WOMENSTD 212 Global HIV/AIDS
- WOMENSTD 220/ *NURS 220 Perspectives in Women's Health
- WOMENSTD 240/ AMCULT 240 Introduction to Women's Studies
- WOMENSTD 245 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Studies
- WOMENSTD 270 Gender and the Law
- WOMENSTD 300 Men's Health
- WOMENSTD/AAS 304 Gender and Immigration
- WOMENSTD 330 Feminist Thought
- WOMENSTD 336/ AAS 336/ HISTORY 336 Black Women in America
- WOMENSTD 348/ SOC 345 Sociology of Sexuality
- WOMENSTD 350 Nonprofit Management Community Engagement and Feminist Practice
- WOMENSTD 351 Leading Feminism
- WOMENSTD 400 Women’s Reproductive Health
- WOMENSTD 404 Gender-based Violence: From Theory to Practice
- WOMENSTD/SOC 447 Sociology of Gender
- WOMENSTD/SOC 451 Women and Work

*Courses not offered through the college of Literature, Science and Arts (LS&A). These courses may have special restrictions and students may need to contact the department or instructor about requirements to elect the course.