



Women's Studies 2013-2014

The Women's Studies major offers both male and female students opportunities to study the experiences, history, contributions, and cultural images of women domestically and internationally, with a strong emphasis on global understanding and multicultural contributions. Courses from a variety of traditional disciplines, including sociology, history, psychology, communication, and art, are included within the major.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- The student will be able to identify connections between specific people, groups, events and ideas and larger sociological, psychological, historical and gender studies specific themes, developments and topics.
- The student will be able to critically analyze a variety of primary and secondary sources and draw valid sociological, psychological, historical, and gender studies interpretations from them.

Career Opportunities:

A major in women's studies provides students with a unique contextual validation for today's woman, and prepares students who wish to enter fields such as law, medicine, and business. The major also allows students to pursue careers in health, teaching, government, counseling, and community work. Through the women's studies major, students will gain knowledge regarding women's issues, and will therefore be better prepared to work with both the general and the female population in a variety of areas.

Units required for Major: 33

Associate Degree Requirements:

- English proficiency: ENGL 1A, 1AH, 1S & 1T, ESLL 26 or equivalent.
- Mathematics proficiency: MATH 57, 105, 108 or equivalent.

A minimum of 90 units is required* to include:

- All Foothill General Education requirements (30 Units)
- Core courses (17 Units)
- Support courses (16 Units)

*Additional elective course work may be necessary to meet the 90-unit minimum requirement for the associate degree.

NOTE: All courses pertaining to the major must be taken for a letter grade. In addition, a GPA of 2.0 or higher is required in all core and support courses for the degree.

Program Type:

AA = Associate in Arts Degree.

Additional Information:

NOTE: Students having difficulty attaining an associate degree because of timing or availability of classes should

consult with a counselor to submit a petition for course substitution.

Core Courses: 17 Unit(s)

COMM 10 Gender, Communication & Culture (5 units)
WMN 5 Introduction to Women's Studies (4 units)
WMN 11 Women in Global Perspective (4 units)
WMN 21 Psychology of Women: Sex & Gender Differences (4 units)
or SOC 21 Psychology of Women: Sex & Gender Differences (4 units)
or PSYC 21 Psychology of Women: Sex & Gender Differences (4 units)

Support Courses: 16 Unit(s)

PSYC 14 Child & Adolescent Development (4 units)
PSYC 22 Psychology of Prejudice (4 units)
SOC 30 Social Psychology (4 units)
or PSYC 30 Social Psychology (4 units)
SOC 40 Aspects of Marriage & Family (4 units)
SOSC 20 Cross-Cultural Perspectives for a Multicultural Society (4 units)
WMN 15 A History of Women in Art (4.5 units)
or ART 2E A History of Women in Art (4.5 units)
WMN 70R Independent Study in Women's Studies (1-4 units)