WMST - WOMEN'S STUDIES

WMST400 Theories of Feminism (3 Credits)
A study of the multiplicity of feminist theories which have been developed to explain women's position in the family, the workplace, and society. Major feminist writings are considered in the context of their historical moment and in the context of the intellectual traditions to which they relate.
Prerequisite: 1 course in WMST; or must have completed a course cross-listed with a WMST course.

WMST420 Asian American Women: The Social Construction of Gender (3 Credits)
Examines the intersection of gender, race and class as it relates to Asian American women in the United States; how institutionalized cultural and social statuses of gender, race, ethnicity and social class produce and reproduce inequality with implications for Asian Americans and the broader society.
Restriction: Must not have completed WMST420. Cross-listed with: AAST420.
Credit Only Granted for: AAST420 or WMST420.

WMST498W Sex, Gender, and Jewish Identity (3 Credits)
An exploration of Jewish embodiment, including dynamics related to biological sex, culturally-framed gender, and sexuality. Topics of discussion may include transgender and intersex Jews, stereotypes and gender performance, modesty, genetics, and body alteration. Focus is on contemporary Jewish culture, framed within the larger historical and textual tradition.
Prerequisite: 1 course in WGSS; or 1 course in JWST; or 1 course in LGBT; or permission of instructor. Cross-listed with: LGBT448W, WGSS492.
Credit Only Granted for: JWST492, JWST409G, JWST419W, LGBT448W, WMST498W or WGSS492.
Formerly: WMST498W, JWST409G and JWST419W.

WMST601 Approaches to Women's Studies I (3 Credits)
Examines two fundamental concepts in women's studies: intersectionality and interdisciplinarity. Looks at how feminisms have shaped and been shaped by knowledge-production within and across disciplinary boundaries, cultures, and paradigms. Develops an appreciation of intersectional theory as a critical research tool and as a set of responses to issues of power, domination, oppression and other loci of difference.
Prerequisite: WMST400; or students who have taken courses with comparable content may contact the department.

WMST602 Approaches to Women's Studies II (3 Credits)
Continued examination of intersectionality and interdisciplinarity with emphasis on the politics of knowledge production and identity.
Prerequisite: WMST400; or students who have taken courses with comparable content may contact the department.

WMST619 Women's Studies Teaching Practicum (1 Credit)
Provides Women's Studies graduate teaching assistants with ongoing regular faculty supervision during the semesters the students are teaching WMST courses.
Prerequisite: Permission of ARHU-Women's Studies department; and WMST618; and must be a current WMST teaching assistant.
Repeatable to: 12 credits if content differs.

WMST621 Feminist Theories and Women's Movements: Genealogies (3 Credits)
Examines theories to explain the matrix of domination from the nineteenth century to the present. Students learn the key debates that produced new insights and shifted the ground of subsequent feminist theorizing within multi-racial feminisms. Examines those debates within global perspectives. Examines how dominant theoretical frameworks have been developed at specific historical moments.
Prerequisite: WMST400; or permission of ARHU-Women's Studies department.

WMST628 Women's Studies Colloquium (1 Credit)
An intensive advanced exploration of current problems and issues in women's studies.
Repeatable to: 12 credits if content differs.

WMST698 Special Topics in Women's Studies (1-3 Credits)
Advanced work in selected topics in Women's Studies.
Prerequisite: WMST400; or students who have taken courses with comparable content may contact the department.
Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs.

WMST699 Independent Study (1-3 Credits)
Research and writing on specific readings on a topic selected by the student which is approved and supervised by a faculty member of the Women's Studies Department.
Restriction: Permission of instructor.

WMST707 Research Seminar in Women's Studies (3 Credits)
This seminar provides an opportunity for those students interested in pursuing feminist research and teaching to synthesize and explore feminist analyses of university life, including research and writing methods, learning styles, curricular issues, and the "chilly climate" for women.
Restriction: Permission of instructor.
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

WMST709 Directed Independent Reading for Major Field Exam (1-4 Credits)
Directed reading in preparation for Major Field Exam. In consultation with their advisors, students identify, analyze, critique and synthesize material relevant to their major fields of inquiry. Grading will be based on combinations of oral performance in the bi-weekly meetings, production of annotated bibliographies and synthetic papers.
Restriction: Permission of ARHU-Women's Studies department.

WMST799 Masters Thesis Research (1-6 Credits)
Repeatable to: 9 credits.

WMST898 Pre-Candidacy Research (1-8 Credits)
WMST899 Doctoral Dissertation Research (1-8 Credits)
Repeatable to: 10 credits if content differs.