LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER STUDIES CERTIFICATE

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See Women’s Studies Department for faculty roster.

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies Certificate Program provides students an opportunity for interdisciplinary study of the lives, experiences, identities, and representations of LGBT people. Any student in good standing may enroll in the certificate program by declaring their intention to the Women’s Studies Department.

For additional information contact the Women’s Studies office, 301-405-6827.

Requirements
21 credits: 15 credits are in required courses, while 6 credits are earned in two elective courses.

Course Title Credits
Required Core Curriculum
LGBT200 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies 3
Select one of the following: 3
LGBT/ENGL265 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Literatures
LGBT/CMLT291 International Perspectives on Lesbian and Gay Studies
Select one of the following: 3
LGBT350 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People and Communication
LGBT/PHIL407
LGBT/WMST494 Lesbian Communities and Differences
Select one of the following: 3
LGBT/ENGL359 Special Topics in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Literatures
LGBT/ENGL459 Selected Topics in Sexuality and Literature
LGBT/ENGL465 Theories of Sexuality and Literature
LGBT327 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Film and Video
LGBT488 Seminar in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies 1-3
or LGBT386 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community Organization Internship

Elective Courses
Select six credits of elective courses 6
Total Credits 19-21

1 Students choose 6 hours of elective credits in consultation with the Department of Women’s Studies Academic Advisor. At least 3 hours of elective credits must be from 3xx or 4xx-level courses. Students are encouraged to choose electives to complement their knowledge of LGBT people and issues by exploring disciplines that contrast with the major field of study. Students may select elective courses from the list of core courses above that have not been used to fulfill requirements for categories 2-5, or from a list of approved courses maintained by the program. The list is updated regularly and available at http://wmst.umd.edu/academics/courses. A student may also petition to have any other course fulfill this requirement by providing evidence, usually the syllabus, that a substantial amount of the course work, usually including a term paper, consists of LGBT material.

• Appropriate substitutions for courses listed in categories 2 through 4 above may be made with approval from the Department of Women’s Studies.
• No course earned with a grade below “C-” will count toward the certificate in LGBT Studies.
• An overall GPA of 2.0 in the certificate is required for graduation.
• Students may use a maximum of nine credits (or three courses) to satisfy the requirements of both their major and the certificate in LGBT Studies.
• No more than nine of the required credits may be taken at an institution other than the University of Maryland, College Park.