

Women's & Gender Studies Teach-Out Advising Plan

Introduction

The Women's and Gender Studies major and minors are being discontinued. WGS classes will not be offered at SSU after Spring 2026. Women's and Gender Studies majors must prioritize taking SSU WGS courses during the 2025-2026 academic year.

Advising for All Women's and Gender Studies Majors:

WGS majors will be given *priority registration* and are **strongly** encouraged to register on April 14. Review your ARR before registration begins. If you have questions about what to take, please meet with your advisor early. Additional General Education course options will become available on July 1, and additional non-GE courses will become available beginning August 1 through [CSU Fully Online](#). Speak with your WGS advisor before registering for CSU Fully Online courses.

- Complete upper-division WGS core courses when offered at **SSU during the AY25/26 WGS teach-out** (see below) or during **Summer 2025** (see below).
- If you need WGS 200, complete a lower-division *Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies* class through **CSU Fully Online** or at a [CA Community College](#).
- If you need WGS 201 or 202, complete WGS 201 when offered at **SSU during the AY25/26 WGS teach-out**.
- If needed, take 4 units of electives from the list on your ARR, or from either the [COCL Pathway](#) or [CUCR Pathway](#) you are not using for your pathway requirement.
- Complete the required number of WGS 499 units.

Advising for the Community/Clinical Pathway:

Complete 12 units of coursework from the [COCL Pathway](#). A few WGS courses will be offered during **Summer 2025**. Courses offered through other departments may be taken in 2025-2026 or 2026-2027.

Advising for the Community/Clinical Pathway:

Complete 12 units of coursework from the [CUCR Pathway](#). A few WGS courses will be offered during **Summer 2025**. Courses offered through other departments may be taken in 2025-2026 or 2026-2027.

Advising for Women's and Gender Studies Minors:

WGS minors who can complete 16 units of minor coursework during the teach-out will receive their minor.

Advising for Queer Studies Minors:

QS minors who can complete 18 units of minor coursework during the teach-out will receive their minor.

If you have questions about this teach-out plan during the Spring 2025 semester, please email your [WGS faculty advisor](#) or teachout@sonoma.edu. If you have questions during Fall 2025 or Spring 2026, please email Professor Charlene Tung (charlene.tung@sonoma.edu) or teachout@sonoma.edu

Schedule for WGS Teach-Out

Fall 2025					
Course No	Course Title	GE	Major Area	Units	Cap
375	Gender, Power, and Freedom in US History	4 (UDD)/CRS/ AI History	Core	3	50
385	Transnational Feminisms		Core	4	25
398	Careers in WGS		Core	1	25
475	Contemporary Feminist Theory		Core	4	25
499	Internship		Core	1-3	

Spring 2026					
Course No	Course Title	GE	Major Area	Units	Cap
201	Gender, Race, & Justice Lecture Series	6 (F)	Core	3	25
425 WIC	Feminist Research Methods		Core	4	25
485	Senior Seminar		Core	4	25
499	Internship		Core	1-3	

SSU Summer WGS Offerings

WGS majors and minors may also take courses in SU25 to meet degree requirements:

Summer 2025						
Course No	Course Title	GE Area	Major Area	Units	Session	Instructor
300	Gender, Race, and Representation	3 (UDC)/CRS	CUCR	3	1	McQuade
300	Gender, Race, and Representation	3 (UDC)/CRS	CUCR	3	2	Kim-Rajal
305	LGBTQ US History	4 (UDD)/AI	COCL/CUCR	3	2	Romesburg
375	Gender, Power, and Freedom in US History	4 (UDD)/CRS/ AI History	Core	3	1	Tung

Examples of CSU Online Substitutions

The FA25 CSU Online schedule has not yet been released. These are examples.

SSU course	CSU Online course
<p>WGS 200 Introduction to Women's & Gender Studies Explores social, political, and cultural dimensions of gender in society and culture. This course foregrounds intersectional feminist analyses: how</p>	<p>WGS 85 (Sacramento) Intro to Women's & Gender Studies Introduction to major topics and issues within feminism. Using interdisciplinary and intersectional perspectives, the course will examine issues in</p>

<p>gender is co-constituted with race, sexuality, nation, ability, economy, and other forms of social power. Students learn about the field of WGS, feminist analysis, interdisciplinary methods, and social justice.</p>	<p>women's and gender studies across the globe. Feminist methods and approaches will be examined using classic and contemporary texts. Topics include intersectionality, LGBTQ studies, domestic violence, reproductive justice, beauty standards, disability, and globalization. General Education Area/Graduation Requirement: GE AREA D.</p> <p>WGSS 2000 (Cal State LA) Intro to WGSS Survey of key concepts in the field and exploration of the concepts of sex, gender, gender identity, and sexuality and their intersections with race, class, ability, and immigration status</p>
<p>WGS 255 Introduction to Queer Studies This interdisciplinary course offers an introduction to the field of Queer Studies by analyzing the role of race, gender, sexuality, and nationalism in the social construction of modern gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and queer (GLBTQ) identities. Students also learn of queer theoretical approaches to politics, culture, and society.</p>	<p>QS 101 (Northridge) Intro Queer Studies Provides an introduction to the interdisciplinary field of Queer Studies, which aims to problematize rigid identity categories and destabilize essentialized norms of expression. The course will cover the history of how concepts such as gender and desire have been understood and articulated; heteronormativity and its relationship to capitalism, race, and gender roles; queer aesthetics; and queer strategies and tactics of resistance.</p>
<p>WGS 300 Gender, Race and Representation Students in this course will explore representations in media and art using intersectional feminist and cultural studies theories and methods. Tracing the production of difference through culture, we foreground the study of gender, race and representation as a method through which to understand and transform the social world.</p>	<p>JOUR 371 (Northridge) Gender & Media Examines media representation of gender and sexual identity and ways in which the media culture shapes gender roles, expectations, and stereotypes. Particular emphasis on applying critical thinking, research and writing skills to analyze gendered portrayals, policies and practices in television, film, magazines, music, video games, news, advertising, and social media, and to develop strategies that empower gender equality in society. Special attention to historical and contemporary contributions and responsibilities of women media professionals.</p>
<p>WGS 455 Queer & Trans Theory & Lives This advanced interdisciplinary course explores historical and contemporary queer and transgender theory to better engage with lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender culture, lives, and politics. Particular focus is given to intersecting analyses of race, class, ability, nation, and other forms of social</p>	<p>GSS 4500 (San Bernardino) Queer Theory An interdisciplinary exploration of queer theory through examining vital theoretical texts, intellectual traditions, and research while exploring the implications and applications of queer theory across multiple contexts domestically and globally. The</p>

power.	<p>course will provide students with a conceptual framework to critically analyze how gender and sexuality relate to social justice within changing historical and cultural contexts.</p> <p>WGSS 416 (Long Beach) Queering Gender Explores intellectual debates in the emergent field of queer theory, particularly as it connects to women's experiences and the politics of gender. Focuses on the intervention that queer theory seeks to make into heteronormative culture on all levels of social life.</p>
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Examples of Community College Substitutions

These are courses taught during SP25.

For City College SF course(s), go to <https://www.ccsf.edu/courses>

For online offerings at other community colleges, go to: <https://search.cvc.edu/>

SSU course	Community College Courses
<p>WGS 200 Introduction to Women's & Gender Studies Explores social, political, and cultural dimensions of gender in society and culture. This course foregrounds intersectional feminist analyses: how gender is co-constituted with race, sexuality, nation, ability, economy, and other forms of social power. Students learn about the field of WGS, feminist analysis, interdisciplinary methods, and social justice.</p>	<p>GSS 10 (Saddleback College): Introduction to Gender and Sexuality Studies (online) An exploration of the core concepts of gender, sexuality, and women's studies focusing on gender and sexuality as social constructs that impact social institutions, cultural practices and the lives of women, men, and non-binary people. Emphasis is on how differences of race, ethnicity, class, sexuality, ability, nationality, and age have historically defined and continue to define gendered experiences and identities.</p> <p>WGST 25 (City College SF): Introduction to Women's & Gender Studies (online and face to face) Introduction to the origins, purpose, subject matter, and methods of Women's and Gender Studies and to feminist perspectives on a range of social issues affecting women of diverse backgrounds. Study of the formation of gender and its intersections with race, class, sexuality, dis/ability, age, religion, and other systems of difference.</p>
<p>WGS 255 Introduction to Queer Studies This interdisciplinary course offers an introduction to the field of Queer Studies by analyzing the role of race, gender, sexuality, and nationalism in the social</p>	<p>GSS 15 (Saddleback College): Introduction to Queer Studies (online) Examines how and why certain expressions of sexuality and gender identity are viewed as 'normal'</p>

<p>construction of modern gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and queer (GLBTQ) identities. Students also learn of queer theoretical approaches to politics, culture, and society.</p>	<p>while others are defined as 'deviant.' Explores how politics, cultural practices, social institutions, science, and religion have created and maintain queerphobia. Analyzes how race, class, nationality, and ability intersect with gender and sexuality to construct a person's identity and life experiences. Explores queer activism.</p>
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