

MINOR IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

The interdisciplinary Women's and Gender Studies Minor offers students an academic framework for the study of women, gender, and sexuality using the analytical tools and methodologies of a variety of disciplines in the humanities, arts, and social sciences. The minor program consists of six Women's and Gender Studies subjects, arranged into three levels of study as follows:

Tier I

WGS.101	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies	12
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Tier II

Select four subjects, including at least one from each category below: ¹ 48

Humanities (HASS-H) and Arts (HASS-S) subjects ²

WGS.109	Women and Global Activism in Media and Politics	
WGS.110[J]	Sexual and Gender Identities	
WGS.111[J]	Gender and Media Studies	
WGS.115	Gender and Technology	
WGS.140[J]	Race and Identity in American Literature	
WGS.141[J]	International Women's Voices	
WGS.142	Narrative and Identity: Writing and Film by Contemporary Women of Color	
WGS.145[J]	Globalization: The Good, the Bad and the In-Between	
WGS.154[J]	Gender and Japanese Popular Culture	
WGS.161[J]	Gender and the Law in US History	
WGS.181	Queer Cinema and Visual Culture	
WGS.190[J]	Black Matters: Introduction to Black Studies	
WGS.220[J]	Women and Gender in the Middle East and North Africa	
WGS.226[J]	Science, Gender and Social Inequality in the Developing World	
WGS.231[J]	Writing about Race	
WGS.233[J]	New Culture of Gender: Queer France	
WGS.234[J]	The Invention of French Theory: A History of Transatlantic Intellectual Life since 1945	
WGS.235[J]	Classics of Chinese Literature in Translation	
WGS.236[J]	Introduction to East Asian Cultures: From Zen to K-Pop	
WGS.240[J]	Jane Austen	

WGS.245[J]	Identities and Intersections: Queer Literatures	
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Social Science (HASS-S) subjects

WGS.125[J]	Games and Culture	
WGS.151	Gender, Medicine, and Public Health	
WGS.172[J]	For Love and Money: Rethinking the Family	
WGS.221	Women in the Developing World	
WGS.222[J]	Women and War	
WGS.224	Race, Gender and Social Inequality: Reproductive Health Care in the United States	
WGS.225[J]	The Science of Race, Sex, and Gender	
WGS.228	Psychology of Sex and Gender	
WGS.229	Race, Culture, and Gender in the US and Beyond: A Psychological Perspective	
WGS.270[J]	Violence, Human Rights, and Justice	
WGS.271[J]	Dilemmas in Biomedical Ethics: Playing God or Doing Good?	
WGS.274[J]	Images of Asian Women: Dragon Ladies and Lotus Blossoms	
WGS.275[J]	Gender, Race, and Environmental Justice	
WGS.276[J]	Cultures of Computing	
WGS.321[J]	French Feminist Literature: Yesterday and Today	

Tier III

WGS.301[J]	Feminist Thought ³	12
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Total Units		72
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¹ One of the Tier II subjects may be taken at Harvard or Wellesley with the permission of the director.

² Subjects 21L.430, 21L.460, 21L.512, 21L.701, 21L.702, 21L.704, 21L.705, 21L.707, 21L.715, and 21W.745 may be taken for credit as a Women's and Gender Studies subject when their content meets WGS criteria. For more information, consult the program office (wgs@mit.edu).

³ With the permission of the director, an advanced Women's and Gender Studies subject may be substituted for WGS.301[J].

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