

# Women's Studies

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## Program Mission

The minor in Women's Studies is an interdisciplinary program of study focusing on the roles of women and gender in society. By looking at the biological, psychological, and social aspects of women and gender within different cultures and professions, the minor endeavors to highlight women's contributions to literature, the arts, and the sciences. An integration of coursework and cultural events will deepen an appreciation for women's struggle for independence and equality and for the way gender operates in daily life.

## Goals and Objectives

- Develop an historical perspective of women and their struggles for independence and equality.
- Understand the role of gender in culture and society.
- Examine gender roles and balance of power differentials across different settings.
- Endorse critical thinking and writing about women/gender issues as they are reflected in various disciplines.
- Promote cultural events that support an appreciation for women and their roles in cultures, societies, and institutions.

## Program Requirements Minor in Women's Studies

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
Select <b>TWO</b> of the following courses .....	6		
FA 3210 Women in the Arts and Sciences .....		{ WRI 1100 FA 1401, FA 1402 or any ENG 2000 course	
HS 1403 Women's Health Issues .....			
PSY 2229 Psychology of Women .....			
PSY 3370/SOC 3370 Gender Roles in Cross-Cultural Perspectives .....		{ PSY 1100, one higher PSY elective SOC 1000	
SOC 2001 Intro to Women's Studies .....		SOC 1000	
Select <b>THREE</b> of the following courses .....	9		
COM 3009 Women in Film and Video .....		COM 2000	
ENG 2150 Gender in American Literature .....		WRI 1100	
ENG 3605 Contemporary American Women's Poetry .....		Any ENG 2000 course	
ECO 3340 Gender and the Economy .....		ECO 1201	
HIS 3315 Women in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century World .....		HIS 1201	
PHI 3312 Women in Philosophy .....		PHI 2201 or PHI 2203	
PSC 2325 Women and Politics .....		15 college credits	
SOC 3010 Sociology of the Family .....		SOC 1000	
Total credits required .....	15		

# Women's Studies Center

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The Women's Center opened at St. Francis College in July 2007. The Center seeks to produce socially aware and interested citizens to further advance equity and opportunities for all individuals. Through an interdisciplinary, inclusive approach, those involved with the Center work to secure funding to support student/faculty research and projects related to the intellectual and practical challenges – past, current and future – posed by gender and faced by women in particular. Women's global and political issues are addressed through strong leadership and activism. The Center also serves the larger

community by raising awareness of gender issues through workshops, lectures and related cultural events and projects.

The Women's Center operates in cooperation with the Women's Studies Minor. While the Women's Studies Minor is an academic program with scholarship at its foundation, the Women's Center has 'action' as its cornerstone both to support the academic endeavors of the Minor and to help the Center reach its goals. In doing so, the Center strives to strengthen alliances both within and outside of St. Francis College to promote awareness and make positive contributions to the lives of women and those around them..

