

## Women's and Gender Studies at Saint Mary's College

The Women's and Gender Studies Program offers an interdisciplinary major and minor. A WaGS major or minor allows students to study the varied contributions and experiences of women and men in different historical periods and cultures, and to examine issues of gender across many fields of knowledge. A major or minor in Women's and Gender Studies is an excellent complement to studies in many academic disciplines including Anthropology, Art History, Communication, Economics, English, History, Justice, Community and Leadership, Performing Arts, Politics, Psychology, Sociology, Theology and Religious Studies and World Languages and Cultures.

### Requirements for a Major in Women's and Gender Studies

The major requires **twelve** courses, including the *four* core courses and *eight* additional courses cross-listed with Women's and Gender Studies. These must include:

WGS 001 (Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies)

WGS 107 (Research Seminar)

WGS 177 (Feminist and Gender Theories)

WGS 196 (Capstone)

and *eight* additional upper-division electives cross-listed with Women's and Gender Studies that may choose either

- a concentration in either Social Sciences or Humanities, with the majority of courses in one of those disciplines; or
- a balanced distribution of courses, four and four, in Social Sciences and Humanities.

Students must take at least two courses each in Social Sciences and Humanities.

One cross-listed January Term course may be petitioned for credit.

At least one course must focus on global issues and/or engage an intersectional analysis of gender, race, class, sexuality, nation, etc.

*WaGS students may also design a double or split major with another discipline, with the approval of the director of Women's and Gender Studies and the chair of the other department.*

### Requirements for a Minor in Women's and Gender Studies

The minor requires six courses: three core courses (WGS 1, 107, 177), and three upper-division electives cross-listed with Women's and Gender Studies. No more than two courses may be in a single discipline and one course must focus on global issues and/or engage an intersectional analysis of gender, race, class, sexuality, nation, etc.