

# WOMEN, GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES PRE-MAJOR

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Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies (WGSS) pre-major is recommended for students who are considering completing a Bachelor's degree in Women and Gender Studies, as well as a wide range of secondary majors after transferring to a four-year institution. The pre-major is designed for students who have not decided upon a specific four-year college or university. Once a transfer school is selected, students are strongly encouraged to consult the Office of Advising, Transitions, and Student Success and the transfer institution's catalog to select courses that will meet both Oakton and transfer institution requirements.

The Pre-major consists of 16 hours of dedicated coursework in the Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies curriculum, along with the completion of General Education requirements. WGSS and General Education courses may overlap. Students who are also interested in completing the Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Concentrations, are required to complete an Action Project that includes 12-14 hours of engagement in a community service project that utilizes theories and concepts learned in a student's coursework, along with the submission of a follow-up report. Students may elect to enroll in an optional 1-credit hour course in conjunction with the Action Project.

When registering for courses, students are advised to select WGSS designated course sections. For more information on course selection or program-specific advising, contact the program coordinator. **General Education courses should be selected from the list of IAI General Education Courses.**

First Year		Hours
<b>Semester One</b>		
EGL 101	Composition I	3
Select one of the following:		3
HUM 140	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
HUM 141	Introduction to LGBTQ Studies (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
Select one of the following:		4
MAT 125	General Education Mathematics	
MAT 131	Elementary Statistics	
Select one of the following:		3
ANT 102	Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology <sup>2, 3</sup>	
SOC 103	Social Problems <sup>2, 3</sup>	
Select one of the following:		3-4
Beginning I (101) Modern Language course		
Introductory Studio or Applied Art course: ART 105, ART 107, ART 115, or other		
Introductory Music or Applied Music course: MUS 107, MUS 150 - MUS 169, or other		
Introductory Performing Arts course: THE 103, THE 115, THE 135, or other		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Semester Two</b>		
EGL 102	Composition II <sup>3</sup>	3
Select one of the following:		3
HUM 140	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
HUM 141	Introduction to LGBTQ Studies (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
Select one of the following:		3
ANT 102	Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology <sup>2, 3</sup>	

SOC 103	Social Problems <sup>2, 3</sup>	
SOC 104	Sociology of Marriage and Family (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
SOC 230	Sociology of Sex and Gender (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
Select one Life Science course:		3-4
Note: At least one science course with lab is required for degree completion		
BIO 101	Introduction to Life Science (lab)	
BIO 104	Human Genetics	
BIO 105	Human Genetics (lab)	
BIO 106	Introduction to Environmental Science (lab) <sup>4</sup>	
BIO 109	Plants and Society <sup>4</sup>	
BIO 116	Microbe and Society	
Select one of the following:		3-4
Beginning II (102) Modern Language course		
Introductory Studio or Applied Art course: ART 105, ART 107, ART 115, or other		
Introductory Music or Applied Music course: MUS 107, MUS 150 - MUS 169, or other		
Introductory Performing Arts course: THE 103, THE 115, THE 135, or other		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15-17</b>
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Semester One</b>		
Select one of the following:		3
HUM 124	African-American Culture and the Arts <sup>1, 3</sup>	
HUM 142	Women and Creativity (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
HUM 220	Asian Humanities <sup>4</sup>	
HUM 242	Women, Art and Culture (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
HUM 260	Perspectives on Film <sup>3</sup>	
Select one of the following:		3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	
PSY 122	Human Sexuality (see Note 2) <sup>1</sup>	
SSC 105	Introduction to Ethnic Studies <sup>1</sup>	
Select one Physical Science course:		3-4
Note: At least one science course with lab is required for degree completion		
EAS 100	Introduction to Earth Science (lab)	
EAS 101	Physical Geology (lab)	
EAS 102	Historical Geology (lab)	
EAS 121	Physical Geography	
EAS 205	Environmental Geology	
Select one of the following:		3
HUM 210	World Mythologies <sup>3, 4</sup>	
PHL 106	Ethics <sup>3</sup>	
PHL 205	World Religions <sup>3, 4</sup>	
Select one of the following:		3-4
Intermediate I (201) Modern Language course		
or Art, Music or Theater course not taken previously		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15-17</b>
<b>Semester Two</b>		
SPE 103	Effective Speech	3
Select one of the following:		3
BIO 110	Sex, Gender and Health (see Note 2) <sup>1, 5</sup>	
EGL 229	[National/Regional] Literature in Translation <sup>3, 4, 5</sup>	
HUM 150	Environmental Humanities <sup>3</sup>	
Select one of the following:		3
HIS 235	Women In American History (see Note 2) <sup>1, 5</sup>	
HIS 236	Women In Western Civilization (see Note 2) <sup>5</sup>	
Select Modern Language course 202 or higher <sup>4</sup>		4
Select one of the following:		3
Introductory Studio or Applied Art course: ART 105, ART 107, ART 115, or other		
Introductory Music or Applied Music course: MUS 107, MUS 150 - MUS 169, or other		
Introductory Performing Arts course: THE 103, THE 115, THE 135, or other		
Action Project (optional)		1
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>62-68</b>

- <sup>1</sup> *Course fulfills the U.S. Diversity Studies requirement. At least one U.S. Diversity Studies course is required for degree completion.*
- <sup>2</sup> *Course fulfills both the Global Studies and U.S. Diversity Studies requirements.*
- <sup>3</sup> *Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies (WGSS) section is recommended. WGSS-designated sections count toward the Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Concentration.*
- <sup>4</sup> *Course fulfills the Global Studies requirement. At least one Global Studies course is required for degree completion.*
- <sup>5</sup> *Course is not IAI approved, but does transfer to most 4-year institutions. Consult your transfer institution for more information.*

**Note 1:** Pre-major is a recommended sequence and selection of courses. See Associate in Arts (A.A.) page for degree requirements. Part time students should also consult the Office of Advising, Transition, and Student Success for part-time pre-major recommendations.

**Note 2:** Course satisfies WGSS concentration requirements.