The Ohio State University
College of Arts and Sciences & John Glenn College

Women, Gender & Public Policy Minor

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The minor will offer undergraduate students a unique opportunity to study public policy impacting women and to situate feminist perspectives for creating and implementing public policies aimed at improving their lives. A core aspect of the minor will be to illustrate to students that the gender category of “women” is intersectional with race-ethnicity, class, sexuality, dis/ability, and geographic location. Ohio State is able to offer this minor by merging existing resources of the John Glenn College of Public Affairs with curriculum in WGSS that focuses on policy, governance, women’s diverse identities, social justice initiatives, and social movements. This minor grows out of previous collaborations of WGSS and the John Glenn College such as the New Leadership Program and the current use by the Glenn College and its students of the WGSS minor as a specialization area.

Required pre-requisite course (3 credit hours)
WGSST 1110: Gender Sex & Power (3)

Required foundational course (3 credit hours)
PUBAFRS 2110: Introduction to Public Affairs (3) or WGSST 2550: History of Feminist Thought (3)

WGSS majors and other majors outside of the John Glenn College must take PUBAFRS 2110 as their required course
John Glenn College majors must take WGSST 2550 as their required course

Choose at least three from these electives (9 credit hours)
Select at least one of the following:
WGSST 2325: Health and Inequality
WGSST 2350: Feminist Perspectives on Women and Violence
WGSST 3200: Breaking the Law - An Introduction to Gender Justice
WGSST 3300.01S: Feminist Perspectives of Incarceration in the US
WGSST 3302: Gender, War and Peacebuilding
WGSST 3370: Sexualities and Citizenship
WGSST 4189.01S: Reproductive Rights and Justice (service learning)
WGSST 4402: Black Women - Representations, Politics and Power
WGSST 4404: Regulating Bodies - Global Sexual Economies
WGSST 4524: Women and Work
WGSST 4525: Feminist Critiques of Markets - Profiting from Inequality
WGSST/AFAMAST/COMPSTD 4921: Intersections - Approaches to Race, Gender, Class, and Sexuality
PUBAFRS/AFAMAST/COMPSTD 5240: Race and Public Policy in the United States
PUBAFRS 5250: Poverty, Inequality, and Public Policy (ECON 2001)
WGSST/SLAVIC 5450: Global Human Trafficking - Realities and Representations

Additional electives:
PUBAFRS 2120: Public Service and Civic Engagement
PUBAFRS 2130: Leadership in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors
PUBAFRS 2150: Introduction to Nonprofit Organizations
WGSST 2326(S): Feminist Perspectives on Addiction (regular or service learning)
WGSST 2550 History of Feminist Thought*
PUBAFRS 3000: Public Policy Analysis
PUBAFRS 3140: Nonprofit Management and Governance
WGSST 3385: Women in Political Leadership Internship^
PUBAFRS 3500: Public Management
PUBAFRS 4010: Public Affairs Decision-Making
PUBAFRS 4020: Contemporary Issues in Governance - Washington D.C.
POLITSC 4138: Women and the Law+
PUBAFRS 4191: Public Affairs Internship or WGSST 3191 Internship^
PUBAFRS 5591: Lobbying and Government Relations

Women, Gender & Public Policy program guidelines

Credit hours required A minimum of 12 hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hrs must be upper-level courses as defined by the College of Arts and Sciences.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)
• The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
• The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required
• Minimum C- for a course to be counted on the minor.
• Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
• Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
• No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded Satisfactory/ Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school advisor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by: Steve Fink, Glenn College of Public Affairs
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