

## Certificate in Gender Studies

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A Gender Studies (GS) certificate emphasizes progressive and transformative possibilities in our world, while also recognizing how gender interacts with systems of inequality. The GS certificate is designed for all undergraduates to acquire a focused background in contemporary transdisciplinary scholarship in feminist and gender studies. Whatever a student's concentration is, they can benefit from studying social and cultural achievements of women and applying contributions from feminist theory to the world around them. The certificate's practical value is the enhancement of students' abilities to think critically and constructively about the society and communities they are a part of with a focus on gender. The proposed GS Certificate's curriculum includes appropriate interdisciplinary courses at UH West O'ahu. It will consist of 15 upper division credits at UH West O'ahu including those in English, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Public Administration and Sociology. Further, it offers a credential that is applicable to a wide range of careers including medicine, nursing, law, business, education, counseling, and social work. The certificate will also provide the theoretical groundwork for advanced feminist and gender studies at the graduate level.

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### Lower Division Requirement- Choose one course from the following (3 CR):

- WS 151 Introduction to Women's Studies
- PHIL 220: Introduction to Feminism

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### Theory Foundational Requirement- Choose one course from the following (3 CR):

- ENG 300B Topics in Literary Theory: Feminist Criticism
- ENG 300G Topics in Literary Theory: Queer Theory
- PHIL 418: Feminist Philosophy
- POLS 339: Feminist Theory

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### Elective Course Requirement- Choose 4 courses from the following (12 CR):

- ANTH 363 Archaeology of Sex/Gender and Sexuality
- ANTH 364 Archaeology of Gender in the Pacific
- ENG 440B Morrison and Yamanaka
- ENG 440G Sara Ahmed
- ENG 441 Gender and Sexuality in Literature and Film
- ENG 482 (alpha) Topics in Literature, Sexuality and Gender
- HIST 361 U.S. Women's History
- HIST 366 Women in Oceania
- HIST 367 Women in World History
- POLS 384 Women and Politics
- PUBA 435 Domestic Violence
- PSY 302 Psychology of Sex and Gender
- PSY 352 Varieties of Sexual Expression
- SOC 213 Sociology of Work
- SOC 309 Sociology of the Body
- SOC 324 Race and Ethnic Relations
- SOC 334 Deviant Behavior
- SOC 362 Gender, Culture, and Society
- SOC 369 Men and Masculinities
- SOC 451 Analysis of Marriage and the Family
- SOC 469 Sociology of Sexuality

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