Minor in Human Sexuality

Why study human sexuality?

- Explore the diverse range of human sexual practices and taboos
- Compare scientific, historical, and creative understandings of sexual desire
- Learn to analyze and address problems of sexual violence, reproductive justice, and LGBTQ inclusivity.

Human Sexuality students focus on the social, political, and medical constructions of human sexuality. They draw from interdisciplinary methods, theories, and research to better understand how the social construction and lived experiences of sexuality relate to society, politics, medicine, and social movements.

Requirements for the Minor

Human Sexuality Minor Course Requirements

The minor requires 18 hours. At least 12 hours must be at the junior/senior (300+) level or higher. Students with a major in WGSS and a minor in Human Sexuality may only overlap two courses.

Students selecting this minor must complete the following:

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Satisfied by approved courses with a primary focus on sexuality.

Eligible courses include:

- WGSS 101 Introduction to Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
- or WGSS 101 Introduction to Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Honors
- ABSC 268 Introduction to Marriage and Family Relations
- SW 303 Human Sexuality in Everyday Life
- WGSS 311/AMS 323/HUM 332/HIST 332 Sex in History
- WGSS/HIST 322 LGBTQ U.S. History, 1600-1900
- WGSS/HIST 323 LGBTQ U.S. History, 1900-Present
- WGSS/HIST 324 History of Women and the Body
- WGSS/ANTH 325 Language, Gender, and Sexuality
- SOC 326 Health, Gender, and Society
- WGSS 327 Perspectives in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies
- WGSS 329 Introduction to Queer Theory: Tools for Deconstructing Gender
- WGSS 331 Sex and Gender in New Media
- WGSS 333 The Politics of Physical Appearance
- WGSS 339 Feminism and Social Change
- WGSS 345 Popular Culture in Africa: Spiritual Thrills, Romance and Sexualities
- WGSS 350 Black Love and Romance
- SOC 352 Sociology of Sex Roles
- WGSS/GIST 355 International Women's Rights
- ANTH 359 Anthropology of Sex
- WGSS/HIST 361 Youth, Sex, and Romance in Post-WWII United States
- WGSS/HUM 364 Pregnancy in Modern Literature
- WGSS/HUM 365 Angry White Male Studies
- ANTH/AAAS 372 Religion, Power, and Sexuality in Arab Societies
- WGSS/REL 374 Religious Perspectives on Selfhood and Sexuality
- WGSS/REL 374 Religious Perspectives on Selfhood and Sexuality
- WGSS 376/EALC 375 Love, Sexuality and Gender in Japanese Literature
- or WGSS 576 Love, Sexuality and Gender in Japanese Literature
- or EALC 575 Love, Sexuality and Gender in Japanese Literature
- ANTH/WGSS 389 The Anthropology of Gender: Female, Male, and Beyond
- WGSS/PSYC 410 Intimate Relationships
- WGSS/EALC 418 Sexual Politics in Chinese Literature and Culture: Premodern Times
- or WGSS 611 Sexual Politics in Chinese Literature and Culture: Premodern Times
- or EALC 618 Sexual Politics in Chinese Literature and Culture: Premodern Times
- SOC 450 Gender and Society
- WGSS/PSYC 468 Psychology of Women
- REL 475 Loving Relationships
- REL/WGSS/HUM 477 Gender and Religion
- HSES 489 Health and Human Sexuality
- WGSS/PSYC 502 Human Sexuality
- PHIL 504 Philosophy of Sex and Love
- WGSS/CLSX 515 Gender and Sexuality in Greek Culture
- WGSS/CLSX 516 Gender and Sexuality in Roman Culture
- WGSS/PSYC 521 Women and Violence
- WGSS 540 Skin, Sex, and Disease
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Other Courses That May Count for Minor Requirements:

The topics in the following courses vary by semester. If the majority of the course content addresses sexuality, this course may count toward a specific requirement within this program. Confirm with the major advisor.

- WGSS 177 First Year Seminar: _____
- WGSS 196 Study Abroad Topics in: _____
- WGSS 396 Studies in: _____
- WGSS 397 Study Abroad Topic in: _____
- WGSS 498 Independent Study
- ENGL 572 Women and Literature: _____
- WGSS 650 Service Learning in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies
- WGSS 696 Studies in: _____

Total Hours 18

Human Sexuality Minor Hours

While completing all required courses, minors must also meet each of the following hour and GPA minimum standards:

**Minor Hours**

Satisfied by 18 hours of minor courses.

**Minor Hours in Residence**

Satisfied by a minimum of 15 hours of KU resident credit in the minor.

**Minor Junior/Senior (300+) Hours**

Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours from junior/senior courses (300+) in the minor.

**Minor Graduation GPA**

Satisfied by a minimum of a 2.0 KU GPA in all departmental courses in the minor. GPA calculations include all departmental courses in the field of study including F's and repeated courses. See the Semester/Cumulative GPA Calculator (http://clas.ku.edu/undergrad/tools/gpa/).

**Overlap Policies**

Students who wish to pursue more than one program offered by the department of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies may do so with the following restrictions: No more than four courses may be used to fulfill requirements for both the Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies major and the Human Sexuality major – two of which would be WGSS 501 and WGSS 601. No more than two courses may overlap between any of our majors and minors, or between our two minors – one of which would be WGSS 501. Students earning an undergraduate certificate in addition to another WGSS program can overlap one course – the introductory-level requirement.