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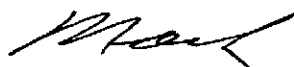
Dear Ana Mari:

Based upon the recommendation of its Subcommittee on Admissions and Programs, the Faculty Council on Academic Standards has recommended approval of the revised program requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Women Studies. A copy of the proposal is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the Department of Women Studies is authorized to specify these changes beginning autumn quarter 2009.

The new requirements should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,



Mark A. Emmert
President

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Carol Langdon (with enclosure)
Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)
Dr. Deborah H. Wiegand (with enclosure)
Mr. Todd Mildon, J.D. (with enclosure WOMEN-20081210A)

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College Arts & Science	Department or Unit Women Studies	Date 12/10/08
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New Programs

- Leading to a Bachelor of _____ in _____ degree.
- Leading to a Bachelor of _____ degree with a major in _____.
- Leading to a _____ Option within the existing major in _____.
- Leading to a minor in _____.

Changes to Existing Programs

- New Admission Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____.
- Revised Admission Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____.
- Revised Program Requirements for the Major in Women Studies within the Bachelor of Arts.
- Revised Requirements for the Option in _____ within the major in _____.
- Revised Requirements for the Minor in _____.

Other Changes

- Change name of program from _____ to _____.
- New or Revised Continuation Policy for _____.
- Eliminate program in _____.

Proposed Effective Date:

Quarter: Autumn Winter Spring Summer **Year:** 2009

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EXPLANATION OF AND RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED CHANGE

For new programs, please include any relevant supporting documentation such as student learning outcomes, projected enrollments, letters of support and departmental handouts. (Use additional pages if necessary).

The two primary reasons for these changes are (1) enhancing achievement of our Learning Goals and (2) bringing our requirements in line with our revised Mission Statement and the growth of the discipline of Women Studies. (1) The Learning Goals require students to increase (a) the range of scholarship they are accountable for, (b) the sophistication of their analytic skills and (c) development of their written and verbal skills. To accomplish these goals, we re-designed our courses to build on each other. (2) The discipline's knowledge base has rapidly increased and gained more coherence. The increased pre-requisites and limitations on courses which count toward the major are designed to guide students through this scholarship more systematically.

CATALOG COPY

Catalogue Copy as currently written. Include only sections/paragraphs that would be changed if you request is approved. Please cross out or otherwise highlight any deletions.





1. WOMEN 200 or equivalent, 2 credits of WOMEN 299, and one ~~additional~~ WOMEN 200-level course.
2. ~~WOMEN 322 or WOMEN 456, WOMEN 357~~
3. One course in feminist theory (WOMEN 455 is recommended for those planning to pursue graduate study).
~~See department adviser for a complete list of acceptable courses.~~
4. Minimum 3 credits of WOMEN 497 fieldwork
5. 25 additional Women Studies upper-division credits
6. Senior capstone, WOMEN 494

PROPOSED CATALOG COPY

Reflecting requested changes (Include exact wording as you wish it to be shown in the printed catalog. Please underline or otherwise highlight any additions. If needed, attach a separate, expanded version of the changes that might appear in department publications)

1. WOMEN 200 or equivalent, 2 credits of WOMEN 299, and one ~~elective~~ *additional* WOMEN 200-level course.
2. WOMEN 300
3. One course in feminist theory (WOMEN 455 is recommended for those planning to pursue graduate study).
4. One upper division course focusing on transnational perspective from the following list: WOMEN 305, 333, 339, 345, 405, 446, or 474.
5. Minimum 3 credits of WOMEN 497 fieldwork
6. 25 ~~elective~~ Women Studies upper-division credits (15 credits must be graded and only 10 credits from our variable credit courses (495, 496, 497, 499) can be applied toward this requirement.
7. *additional* Senior capstone, WOMEN 494

SIGNATURES (required)

Chair/Program Director	Date
	12/10/08
Dean 	Date 1/28/09
College Committee 	Date 1/28/09
Faculty Council on Academic Standards 	Date 4/10/09

UoW 1503 (12/05) REVERSE

RESET FORM

Women Studies Major Requirements

Requirement for the entrance to the Major is 2.0 GPA

***for students declaring the major in the
Fall Quarter 2009 or later***

1. **WOMEN 200 Introduction to Women Studies or transfer equivalent (5 cr.)**. Women 200 is a prerequisite for most other Women Studies courses.
2. **Women 299 Women Studies Colloquium for Current and Prospective Majors (2 cr.)**. (majors only Period I; add codes from advisor Period II,III)
3. **One elective 200-level course in Women Studies or transfer equivalent (5 cr.)**
4. **Women 300 Gender, Race, and Class in Social Stratification. (5 cr.) Prerequisite: WOMEN 200**. Women 300 is a prerequisite for the senior capstone and variable credit courses (494, 495, 497, and 499).
5. **One course on feminist theory (5 cr.)**.
Select one of the following:
 - **WOMEN 206 Philosophies of Feminism**
 - **WOMEN 455 Contemporary Feminist Theory** (strongly recommended for students who plan to pursue graduate studies). **Recommended: WOMEN 206**
Prerequisite: WOMEN 200

Note: if 200-level course is used to fulfill this requirement, it MAY NOT also be used to fulfill the additional 200-level course requirement noted above in #3.

6. One upper division course focusing on transnational perspective from the following list:

- 305 – *Feminism in an International Context*
- 333 – *Gender and Globalization: Theory and Process*
- 339 – *Social Movements in Contemporary India*
- 345 – *Women and International Economic Development*
- 405 – *Comparative Women's Movements and Activism*
- 446 – *Global Asia*
- 474 – *Trans/Gender Queries*

7. **WOMEN 497 Internship** - (A minimum of 3 credits are required.) One may take up to 12 additional credits for a total of 15 possible credits. Only ten credits can be applied to the elective upper-division Women Studies credits. Please see #8 of the major requirements for more information.

Prerequisites: WOMEN 200, 299, & 300.

8. **25 elective upper-division (300-400 level) Women Studies credits.** 15 credits must be graded (not CR/NC). A maximum of 10 credits from our variable credit courses (495, 496, 497, and 499) can be applied toward this requirement. (Honors Students: Please inquire about possible limits on number of CR/NC courses you may take.)

9. **WOMEN 494 Senior Capstone (5 cr.)**

Prerequisites: WOMEN 200, 299, 300 and 15 graded credits of Women Studies upper division courses.

Jennifer A. Payne

From: David G. Allen [dgallen@u.washington.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 10:14 AM
To: 'Carol Langdon'; uwcr@u.washington.edu
Subject: RE: Question on your 1503

Thank you for your inquiry on this. On one hand, yes, there is a specific problem this addresses: We have a very flexible program in which students can take variable credit internships, study-abroad and other courses that are non-graded. Non graded courses do not provide adequate feedback to the student on their level of preparation and the result has created a pedagogical challenge when students arrive near the end of the major with significant deficits. This is only one of several strategies (e.g. approaches to writing assignments) that we are taking to address this.

Another impetus comes from students themselves: Many who are potential honors students don't realize early enough that the lack of graded credits jeopardizes their eligibility for Honors.

This requirement, however, should not be abstracted from the over-all rationale for the changes we made to the major: As our major has grown, and as we have more experience with the capstone as a way of assessing students' learning across the major, we are working to build more academic coherence into our major. This credit requirement is only one piece of the puzzle.

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Carol,

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elective credits must be graded? Is there a specific problem you are trying to address?

You can email me this information for their next meeting which occurs on April 6.

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