

Liberal Arts - Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Concentration, A.A.

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PROGRAM CODE: 01044

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CONCENTRATION COORDINATOR: TBD

The Liberal Arts AA degree provides a foundation in general studies through exploration of an array of subject areas under liberal arts and sciences. Concentrations provide students opportunity to focus in a specific area. Courses promote development and application of effective communication skills, quantitative and scientific reasoning, critical thinking and analysis, and applying knowledge of human cultures, language and the natural world to issues experienced across diverse communities. The degree provides opportunity for transfer to baccalaureate programs.

The Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Concentration provides students the opportunity to analyze structures of power and dimensions of difference by focusing on gender and the ways in which it intersects with other social identities, such as race, class, sexuality, ethnicity, nationality, ability, age, religion, among others. Students will learn about concepts of sex/gender systems, histories of social movements, interdisciplinary modes of inquiry, political debates, and cultural productions. Students will engage in feminist knowledge projects in both disciplinary locations like English and History and interdisciplinary locations like LGBTQ Studies and Ethnic Studies.

The curriculum presented here applies to students who started the major in Fall 2026 or Spring 2027. If you enrolled as a matriculant prior to that, please see the *College Catalog* for the year you started the major as a matriculant for the curriculum requirements that apply to you.

Consultation with the Program Advisor is required.

Degree Maps:

Degree Map for Liberal Arts: Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Concentration, A.A. (**see below**)

Your Degree Map contains the suggested term-by-term course sequence for your academic path towards graduation.

To ensure successful and timely completion of your degree, it is recommended that you meet with your academic advisor to discuss your unique map.

Please note some courses *may* only be offered once an academic year.

Program Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the Liberal Arts degree program requirements, graduates will:

1. demonstrate and apply ethical judgment to real-world problems and issues while recognizing multiple perspectives.
 2. apply knowledge of human cultures, language, or the natural world to problems and issues experienced across diverse communities.
 3. produce or analyze creative works according to a field or discipline's vocabulary and theory, using relevant techniques and processes, and in response to best practices.
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Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Concentration Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the Women's Gender, and Sexuality Studies Concentration requirements, graduates will:

1. Students will demonstrate their understanding of the social construction of gender through the completion of a designated assignment
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College Requirements:

English and Math proficient as determined by the CUNY Proficiency Index, unless otherwise exempt, or successful completion of any required developmental course(s).

Civic Engagement Experiences:

One (1) Civic Engagement experience satisfied by Civic Engagement Certified or Civic Engagement Component course or approved outside activity.

Writing Intensive Requirement:

One (1) Writing Intensive Course in any discipline is required.

Required Core (4 Courses, 12 Credits):

When Required Core Courses are specified for a category they are strongly suggested and/or required for the major

*Note: You may elect to take a math or science course that is 4 credits or more. TAP counts 3 credits towards the requirements and the 4th credit as an elective.

- ENG 1200 - Composition I 3 Credit(s)
 - ENG 2400 - Composition II 3 Credit(s)
 - **Mathematical & Quantitative Reasoning Course 3 Credit(s) ***
 - **Life & Physical Sciences Course 3 Credit(s) ***
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Flexible Core (6 Courses, 18 Credits):

One course from each Group A to E. **and** one (1) additional course from any Group.
No more than two courses can be selected from the same discipline

A. World Cultures and Global Issues Designated Course

B. U.S. Experience in its Diversity Designated Course

C. Creative Expression Designated Course

D. Individual and Society Designated Course

E. Scientific World Designated Course*

* Note: You may elect to take a math or science course that is 4 credits or more. TAP counts 3 credits towards the requirements and the 4th credit as an elective.

Major Requirements (6 Courses, 18 Credits):

Course used to satisfy the Major requirements **cannot** be used to also satisfy the Concentration requirements. Students enrolled in a Concentration **cannot** use the following required courses to also satisfy the CUNY Required or Flexible core.

- Arts 3 Credit(s) **or**
- Media and Film Studies 3 Credit(s) **or**
- Music 3 Credit(s) **or**
- Theatre 3 Credit(s)

AND

- Speech 3 Credit(s)

AND

- Literature and Writing **or** Philosophy 3 Credit(s)

AND

- U.S. Politics **or** U.S. History 3 Credit(s)

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- Psychology **or** Sociology 3 Credit(s)

AND

- World History 3 Credit(s) **or**
 - Anthropology 3 Credit(s) **or**
 - World Language 3 Credit(s)
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Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Concentration (3 Courses, 9 Credits):

Courses used to satisfy the Concentration requirements **cannot** be used to also satisfy the Major requirements. Students enrolled in a Concentration **cannot** use the following required courses to also satisfy the CUNY Required or Flexible Core.

- BEH 2100 - Introduction to Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies 3 Credit(s)

AND

Select two (2) courses, one (1) course from each of the following two Groups:

Group I: Social Sciences (Select one course)

- ANT 3900 - Sexuality and Culture 3 Credit(s) *
 - PSY 3700 - Psychology of Gender 3 Credit(s) *
 - SOC 3800 - Sociology of Gender 3 Credit(s) *
 - POL 7500 - Gender and Politics 3 Credit(s)
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Group II: Humanities (Select one course)

- ART 3900 - History of Women in Art 3 Credit(s)
 - ENG 6700 - Women Writers 3 Credit(s)
 - HIS 6800 - U.S. Women's History 3 Credit(s)
 - PHI 6500 - Philosophy of Sex and Gender 3 Credit(s)
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Electives:

3 credits sufficient to meet required total of 60 credits.

Notes:

- *These courses have a prerequisite. To fulfill the prerequisite, students should select the prerequisite course that meets their major requirement OR select the prerequisite course that meets their CUNY Flexible Core requirement.
- World Languages proficiency through the 200-level is recommended for students who do not have native fluency, or have not successfully completed three years of one foreign language in high school and passed the Regents Level 3 language exam. These students may take a 100-level World Language as a Flexible Core: World Cultures and Global Issues (Group A) Pathways requirement and a 200-level World Language as a major requirement. Other concentrations *may* be able to do as listed above.
- For concentrations other than General, it is recommended that you speak with your academic advisor.

Total Credits: 60

Degree Map: A.A. Liberal Arts: Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Concentration

Degree Information

Catalog Year: **2026 - 2027**

Plan: **Liberal Arts AA**

Sub Plan: **Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies**

Required Credits: **60**

General Requirements

Req GPA: **2.0**

Req Residential Credits: **30**

Req Pathways Credits: **30**

Req Civic Engagement: **1**

Req Writing Intensive: **1**

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
ENG 1200	3
MATH & QUANTITATIVE REASONING	3
Choose 1: Flexible Core U.S. Experiences in Its Diversity	3
Speech	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS
Choose 1: Flexible Core** Individual & Society	3

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
ENG 2400	3
LIFE & PHYSICAL SCIENCES	3
WGSS Concentration* BEH 2100	3
Psychology or Sociology**	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS
Choose 1: Flexible Core** Scientific World	3

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
Literature and Writing or Philosophy	3
U.S Politics or U.S. History	3
WGSS Concentration* Select One course from Group I: ANT 3900^ or PSY 3700^ or SOC 3800^ or POL 7500	3
Choose 1: Flexible Core World Cultures & Global Issues	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS
Choose 1: Flexible Core Creative Expression	3

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
Art or Media & Film or Music or Theatre	3
World History or Anthropology or World Language	3
WGSS Concentration* Select One course from Group II: ART 3900 or ENG 6700 or HIS 6800 or PHI 6500	3
Choose 1: Flexible Core GROUP A - E	3
ELECTIVE	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS
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NOTE: The term-by-term course sequence takes into account necessary Prerequisites, Corequisites, and Pre-/Co-requisites

NOTE: Select ONE (1) WRITING INTENSIVE course & ONE (1) CIVIC ENGAGEMENT course. Some courses meet BOTH requirements, see CUNYfirst to determine course status

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Important Notes:

Courses used to satisfy the Major requirements **cannot** be used to also satisfy the Concentration requirements. Major and Concentration courses **cannot** be used to also satisfy the CUNY Required or Flexible Core

***Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Concentration:** (9 credits)

BEH 2100 and

Select two (2) courses, one (1) course from each of the following two Groups:

Group I: Social Sciences (Select one)

ANT 3900^, PSY 3700^, SOC 3800^, or POL 7500

Group II: Humanities (Select one)

ART 3900, ENG 6700, HIS 6800, or PHI 6500

^These courses have a prerequisite. To fulfill the prerequisite, students should select the prerequisite course that meets their major requirement OR select the prerequisite course that meets their CUNY Flexible Core Requirement

** (PSY 1100, SOC 3100, ANT 3700).

Note: It is recommended that students speak with a program advisor to select an Elective that will best serve them at their intended four-year transfer college.