Haverford College offers a concentration in Gender and Sexuality Studies

Students who study abroad can petition to have courses abroad counted towards the concentration. Typically, students submit a syllabus and reading list, and occasionally they are asked to submit an essay or exam.

Working with an advisor in the major, in consultation with the Director of Gender and Sexuality Studies, concentrators can incorporate research, theories, and perspectives from the discipline into their research, writing, and performance.

Students can choose courses from anywhere in the Tri-Co or take courses at UPenn if approved in advance by the Director.

Students in majors that do not offer courses with GenSex content (such as STEM majors) may receive a waiver to the requirement to take GenSex courses in their major, because there typically are not 2-3 courses cross-listed in their majors. A Math or Economics Major would thus take GSST H190 + H290, and 4 or more courses drawn from any department that are cross-listed with GenSex.

To Learn More:
Please email questions to Gina Velasco, Director of Gender and Sexuality Studies at Haverford College. gvelasco@haverford.edu

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Program in GENDER AND SEXUALITY
At Haverford College 2023-2024
FOR HAVERFORD CONCENTRATION:
Six courses distributed as follows are required for the concentration at Haverford College:

- An introductory course GSST H190 at Haverford.
- The junior seminar: GSST H290, Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Sex and Gender, offered in the fall.
- Four additional approved courses from at least two different departments, two of which are normally at the 300 level. Units of Independent Study (480) may be used to fulfill this requirement.
- Of the six courses, no fewer than two and no more than three will also form part of the student’s major. *
- No more than two of the six concentration credits may come from institutions outside of the Bi-Co.

* This requirement can be waived with permission of the Director

GenSex Courses for Fall 2023 at Haverford include:

GSST H190A Introduction to Feminist and Gender Studies
Tuesdays 1:30-4pm
Prof. Gina Velasco

GSST H290A Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Gender and Sexuality: Queer Theory*
Mondays 1:30-4pm
Prof. Gina Velasco
*Required for the concentration

Introduction to Trans Studies
Instructor and time TBA

GenSex Courses for Spring 2024 at Haverford include:

Women of Color Feminisms
Mondays 1:30-4pm
Prof. Gina Velasco

Queer of Color Visual Culture
Tuesdays 1:30-4pm
Prof. Gina Velasco

Introduction to Queer Studies
Instructor and time TBA

Neither a senior seminar nor a senior thesis is required for the concentration, however, with the permission of the major department, a student may choose to count a senior thesis with significant content in gender and sexuality toward the concentration.

Sample Concentration:
Major: Anthropology
- GSST 190 and GSST 290
- 2 cross-listed Anthropology* courses.
- 2 non-Anthropology cross-listed courses in another department (ex: English).
*If waived, can be any two cross-listed courses