Women’s and Gender Studies

Special Points of Interest

- The University of Oklahoma is the only institution of higher learning in Oklahoma that offers a degree in Women's and Gender Studies
- The flexibility of the Women's and Gender Studies major makes it ideal for combining with other majors.

Interested in Women’s and Gender Studies?

About the Major
The Women's and Gender Studies Program is an interdisciplinary program that seeks to enhance students’ knowledge of gender roles and relations across cultures and history. Women's and Gender Studies courses investigate the intersection of gender and such diverse phenomena as politics, religion, society, economics, war, communication, music, art, family life and popular culture.

Young Feminist Leadership Conference
The Young Feminist Leadership Conference held in Washington, D.C. This conference is sponsored by the Feminist Majority Foundation and is focused upon a different theme each year. The conference provides an unprecedented opportunity for young feminists to get together to take on some of the most pressing gendered issues of our time.

Alice Mary Robertson Award
The Alice Mary Robertson award was established to honor the memory of Alice Mary Robertson, Oklahoma’s first female representative in the United States Congress. The purpose of the award is to stimulate an interest among graduate students in the study and interpretation of the contributions made by women to the culture and progress of Oklahoma as well as to awaken the public to a greater appreciation of these contributions.

The Betty Baum and Norman Hirschfield Award
The Betty Baum and Norman Hirschfield Award was permanently endowed in Women’s and Gender Studies by E.J. Hirschfield and Alan Hirschfield in 1999 in memory of their parents. The Hirschfield's lived in Oklahoma City for many years and created this generous endowment to support single mothers returning to the University of Oklahoma, Norman Campus. Three scholarships of $4,000 each are awarded annually.

Women’s and Gender Studies Curriculum
Women's and Gender Studies students learn a variety of marketable skills including critical thinking, writing, public speaking, organization, conflict resolution, diversity training and project design. The interdisciplinary and global perspective students gain in the Women's and Gender Studies Program will enable them to achieve their highest potential in their chosen field of study and as citizens of the global community. Women's and Gender Studies majors and minors will be well-prepared and sought after for work in for-profit and not-for-profit organizations, social help agencies, human rights advocacy, and victim's advocacy, as well as graduate study in law, medicine, human relations, education, business, information science, communications, fine arts, public health or academic research.

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