

Gender, Women and Sexuality Studies, BS

ASWSTBS

How do gender, power, race, sexuality and class shape lives and the world? By studying the effects of social hierarchies, cultural identity, sexuality, nationality and religion, you will learn how gender attitudes form and how they impact daily lives.


Program description

The BS degree program in gender, women and sexuality studies is an interdisciplinary academic program. Students examine the cultural and social construction of gender; explore the history, experiences and contributions of women to society; and study the influences of gender at a micro and macro level.

Consistent with the university's design imperatives of social embeddedness and use-inspired research, the program's course offerings, research initiatives and cocurricular programs further the understanding of women and gender and promote social justice. Students gain a solid knowledge base and educational foundation as well as the critical thinking skills necessary for dealing with changing gender roles in society.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: West Valley campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150% of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees. Students should click the link for more information and eligibility requirements of [the WUE program](#).

At a glance

- **College/School:** [New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [West Valley](#) **WUE**
- **Second language requirement:** No
- **First required math course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
or any math course that meets the MATH designation
- **Math intensity:** General 

Required courses (Major Map)

[2024 - 2025 Major Map](#)

[Major Map \(Archives\)](#)

Concurrent program options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated program options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an [accelerated bachelor's plus master's degree](#) with:

[Communication Studies, MA](#)

[English, MA](#)

[Interdisciplinary Studies, MA](#)

[Social Justice and Human Rights, MA](#)

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. Students typically receive approval to pursue the accelerated master's during the junior year of their bachelor's degree program. Interested students can learn about eligibility requirements and [how to apply](#).

Admission requirements

General university admission requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

[First-year](#) | [Transfer](#) | [International](#) | [Readmission](#)

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should visit the [Change of Major form](#) for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer options

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use [MyPath2ASU®](#) to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has [transfer partnerships](#) in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey.

Global opportunities

Global experience

Students can explore the impact of culture, race, religion and law on gender norms and equality through one of more than 300 unique study abroad experiences. Study abroad programs offer students a global perspective and knowledge in preparation for their future-focused career.

Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while staying on track for graduation, and they may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. More information is available on the [Global Education website](#).

Career opportunities

Graduates are prepared for further study in graduate or professional programs as well as for careers in a variety of settings, including health care services, human resources development, public and business administration and social services.

Example job titles and salaries listed below are not necessarily entry level, and students should take into consideration how years of experience and geographical location may affect pay scales. Some jobs also may require advanced degrees, certifications or state-specific licensure.

Career	*Growth	*Median salary
Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) 🌟	7.2%	\$59,990
Communications Specialist	3.7%	\$73,150
Community Health Worker 🌟	14.1%	\$46,190
Community Specialist 🌟	6.5%	\$47,290
Government Programs Specialist	2.2%	\$49,230
Lawyer 🌟	7.5%	\$135,740

<u>Social Services Director</u> ☀️	9.1%	\$74,240
<u>Social Worker</u> ☀️	5.3%	\$50,820
<u>Substance Abuse Social Worker</u> ☀️	10.6%	\$51,240
<u>Technical Writer</u> ☀️	6.9%	\$79,960

* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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