

SOCIAL JUSTICE LEADERSHIP MINOR

<https://cola.unh.edu/womens-gender-studies/program/minor/social-justice-leadership>

Description

The minor in social justice leadership engages students in an exploration of policies, power dynamics, institutions and structures that promote and hinder equity and processes of change required for social justice. Students will examine various forms of injustice such as sexism, racism, classism, ableism and environmental degradation. The minor is grounded in three pillars — a theory component, a leadership component and experiential learning activities. The minor is interdisciplinary in nature, drawing on disciplines such as anthropology, education, English, history, philosophy, political science, social work and sociology. After completing the curriculum, students will have gained a historical perspective, theoretical understanding and applied leadership skills that are needed for social justice work and activism. The minor certifies students' knowledge regarding, and commitment to, social justice leadership, which will be useful in postgraduate pursuits.

Students who wish to minor in social justice leadership should consult with the department chair or coordinator.

Requirements

Academic policies related to Minors.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
Theory		
WGS 401W or WGS 405	Introduction to Women's Studies Gender, Power and Privilege	4
Leadership		
WGS 505 or WGS 796	Survey in Women's Studies (Leadership Part I) Advanced Topics	4
Applied		
Select one capstone course from the following (normally taken at the end of the course sequence):		4
WGS 795	Independent Study	
WGS 796	Advanced Topics	
WGS 797	Internship	
WGS 798W	Colloquium	
or other relevant approved capstone dealing with social justice leadership issues		
Electives		
Select two electives in Social Justice and/or Leadership (see list below)		8
Total Credits		20

Approved Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Courses in the Women's and Gender Studies Department		
WGS 444A	Race Matters	4
WGS 505	Survey in Women's Studies (Leadership in the Real World)	4
WGS 510	Framing Feminism: Gender Politics in Film	4
WGS 632W	Feminist Thought	4
WGS 795	Independent Study	1-4
WGS 796	Advanced Topics	4
WGS 797	Internship	4
WGS 798W	Colloquium (such as Women in Prison)	4
Courses in Other College of Liberal Arts Departments		

ANTH 500	Peoples and Cultures of the World (Sub-Saharan Africa)	4
ANTH 625	Sexuality in Cross-Cultural Perspective	4
ANTH 685	Gender, Sexuality and HIV/AIDS in Africa	4
ANTH 750	Islam and Gender: Gendered Lives of Muslims	4
CMN 505	Analysis of Popular Culture	4
CMN 567	Gender, Race, and Class in the Media	4
EDUC 500	Exploring Teaching	4
ENGL 585	Introduction to Women in Literature (Dreamgirls: Studies in Beautiful Blackness)	4
ENGL 693	Special Topics in Literature (Literary Responses to the Holocaust)	4
ENGL 738	Asian American Studies	4
HIST 566	Comparative Revolutions: How to Make a Revolution in the World before Marx	4
HIST 665	Themes in Women's History (Gender & Politics)	4
HIST 690	Seminar: Historical Expl (Gay & Lesbian History: From the Victorian Era to Stonewall)	4
HIST 797	Colloquium (Citizenship & Inequality in the Americas)	4
PHIL 430	Ethics and Society	4
PHIL 436	Social and Political Philosophy	4
PHIL 450	Environmental Ethics	4
PHIL 510	Philosophy and Feminism	4
POLT 548	Drug Wars	4
POLT 762	International Political Economy	4
Courses in the College of Health and Human Services		
HDFS 746	Human Sexuality	4
NURS 450	Making Babies: Technology, Nature, and Social Context	4
OT 513	Stressed Out: The Science and Nature of Human Stress	4
SW 697	Special Topics in Social Welfare (Exploring Social Justice & Cultural Competency)	4
SW 715	Affirming Practice with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+ People	4

The women's and gender studies core faculty will consider approving other courses that include more than 50% of content related to social justice leadership.

Once students have declared the minor, they are required to meet with the coordinator at least once per semester for regular review of progress towards the degree.

Transfer credits may be approved by the coordinator to count towards the minor. If the transfer credit is accepted by the university and fits within the scope of the minor, it will be considered.