

GWST 3100: Gender and the US South

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1102

Gender and the U.S. South examines intersections between cultural norms and values of the southern United States with gender and related identity categories such as race, class, and sexuality. The course invites students to consider ways that gender, race, class, and sexuality are complicated by and related to regional ideas, history, and identity. Additionally, the course explores gender in the U.S. South in connection with other cultures in the Global South.

GWST 3200: Disability & Culture

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1102

This course is an interdisciplinary study of social understandings of disability, particularly its relationship to categories of sex/sexuality, gender, and identity. Using examples drawn from various points in history, various countries around the world, and various disability categories (psychiatric/psychosocial, intellectual, physical, etc.), students read a variety of texts including ethnographies, autobiographies, and case studies in order to understand the variety of the disability experience. This class draws from critical disability studies, feminist, and queer theory.

GWST 3398: Internship

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: GWST 3000 and approval of the internship coordinator.

A structured off-campus experience in a supervised setting that is chosen in relation to student's focus and interests. Practical experience is combined with a research approach that investigates issues relevant to the internship. Students will meet with the internship coordinator to develop an appropriate plan that will lead to the writing of a research-oriented paper or research project, a required part of the internship. Students should consult with the internship coordinator at the midpoint of the semester prior to the internship to choose from an approved list of internship sites, none of which may be with a current employer