The Women’s and Gender Studies Program offers students a rigorous interdisciplinary major and minor drawn from a rich and diverse array of courses taught by an enthusiastic and passionate faculty. Women’s and Gender Studies courses introduce students to a multiplicity of women’s lived realities, perspectives, and knowledge; center gender as a critical category of analysis; and emphasize race, class, gender, sexuality, culture, ethnicity, nationality, age, and ability as intersecting lenses through which to see, understand, and examine the everyday world around us.

**B.A. Women’s and Gender Studies**

The major requires the completion of 10 women’s and gender studies courses, inclusive of Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies, Senior Capstone Seminar, and eight electives distributed across the social and natural sciences, the humanities, and the arts. The program of study is innovative and interdisciplinary, with a focus on analyzing the lives, achievements, and experiences of women (past and present) across the academic disciplines. There is also a strong focus on the diversity of women’s experiences across age, race, ethnic groups, social class, and physical condition. The program is committed to empowering students to be active learners and independent thinkers, and courses are designed to encourage reflection, challenge existing viewpoints, and develop critical thinking.

**Minor**

The minor requires the completion of six women’s and gender studies courses, including Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies, the senior capstone seminar, and four elective courses distributed across the social sciences and the humanities. Recent graduates of PC’s Women’s and Gender Studies Program have gone on to careers and graduate study in fields as diverse as global and national health and health services, science and technology, creative writing and publishing, business, marketing, the non-profit sector, governmental policy, law, philanthropy, counseling and psychology, secondary education, and higher education and academia.
The Women’s and Gender Studies Program organizes and supports, in collaboration with multiple departments, programs, and student groups and organizations, a robust schedule of lectures, discussions, panels, screenings, and workshops on campus each year.

The women’s and gender studies curriculum also offers students the opportunity to participate in women- and gender-centered community organizations off campus.

Our faculty are passionate teachers, committed to working closely with students and to supporting them in the process of identifying and achieving their goals, both inside and outside of the classroom, and frequently present their research and literary and artistic work at national and international conferences, including the annual meetings of the National Women’s Studies Association.

Selected Places of Employment

Actalent • Chubb Corp. • Manya Glassman
AmeriCorps • Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Moda Operandi, Inc • AXS TV • Federal Bureau of Investigation • Pierce Davis & Perritano LLP
Bento • Foxcroft Collection • Proven Behavior Solutions, LLC • Boston Scientific • Integra Advisors
Chisholm, Chisholm, & Kilpatrick • The Key Program, Inc • Wellington Management

Selected Graduate Schools

Boston University • Hult International Business School • New York University
Northeastern University • Parsons School of Design/The New School • Providence College
Syracuse University • Quinnipiac School of Law

88% of interdisciplinary program graduates are employed or attending graduate school
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