

## PROPOSED REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATE CERTIFICATES IN WOMEN'S STUDIES

The Women's Studies Program proposes to offer two graduate certificates in Women's Studies: one on the master's level and one on the Ph.D. level. Coursework taken to fulfill the master's certificate could count also toward a Ph.D.-level certificate.

Certificate programs will be individualized for each student, with certain core course requirements. Candidates for the certificate must submit their proposed curriculum to a Women's Studies certification subcommittee which will approve, reject or suggest modifications in the curriculum.

The required Feminist Theory course is a multidisciplinary graduate-level Women's Studies course which will be taught yearly beginning in AY 1994-95. The content for this course will be established as part of the Women's Studies Graduate Faculty Development Seminar to be held in May, 1994 with funding from the office of Vice-Chancellor David Watt and Dean Richard Edwards. In AY 1994-95 it will be taught as WS600 (Topics); thereafter a new course number will be proposed.

The reading and discussion course which is required for both certificates will be an ongoing faculty and graduate student reading and discussion course, focused on integrating readings in Women's Studies across disciplines. It can be repeated once for credit. The Women's Studies Program will propose an independent graduate-level reading course (WS 690) for this requirement.

For the Ph.D. certificate, students will be required to take a 3 credit independent research course under the supervision of a Women's Studies Program affiliated faculty member. This course will culminate in a written research project which will be presented as part of the on-going series of informal faculty and graduate student presentations sponsored by Women's Studies. A new course, WS780, will be proposed for this requirement.

### Master's Certificate (10 hrs required)

Multidisciplinary Women's Studies Feminist Theory course (3 cr)

Two elective Women's Studies-related courses (at least 1 course outside home department) (total 6 cr)

Reading course (1 cr)

### Ph.D. Certificate (14 hrs required)

Multidisciplinary Women's Studies Feminist Theory course (3 cr)

Two elective Women's Studies-related courses (at least 1 course outside home department) (see attached list for examples) (total 6 cr)

Independent research course (3 cr)

Reading course, taken twice (total 2 cr)

# REVIEW OF THE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN WOMEN'S STUDIES

April 25, 2002

1. **Academic Objective of the Certificate.** The Women's Studies Graduate Certificate Curriculum offers advanced, interdisciplinary study of women, their cultures and contributions; gender more generally; sexuality; and the social intersections of sex and gender with class, race/ethnicity, ability, age, and so on. The purpose of the Curriculum is to give participants a solid grounding in Women's Studies scholarship and to provide them with an opportunity to substantially develop their own scholarship.
2. **Associated Faculty.** See Appendix A: Women's Studies Graduate Certificate brochure.
3. **Certificate Director.** Our Certificate Director is appointed on an annual basis by the Director, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee and with the approval of the Dean of the Graduate School. For the academic year 2002-2003, the Director of the Women's studies program recommends Dr. Patricia Cooper, Department of History, to be the Certificate Director.
4. **Admission Requirements/Procedures.** See Appendix A: Women's Studies Graduate Certificate brochure.
5. **Certificate Requirements.** See Appendix A: Women's Studies Graduate Certificate brochure.
6. **Certificate Awardees.** See Appendix B: Women's Studies Graduate Certificates completed from Spring 1995 through Spring 2002.
7. **Rationale for Continuation.** The Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies was initiated in 1994. Between 1995 and 2002, 75 students have earned the Certificate. We take this to be a good indicator of how valuable graduate students at the University of Kentucky find the certificate curriculum. Also, we are increasingly finding that the UK Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies is proving to be a valuable credential as our students seek academic positions.
8. **Certificate Brochure.** See Appendix A: Women's Studies Graduate Certificate brochure. All information is also available via our Web pages: <http://www.uky.edu/ArtsSciences/WomenStudies/welcome.html>

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CJT	780	001	Spec. Topics: Cultural Diversity Issues Manning-Miller	M	3:30 - 6:00
EPE	525	001	History of Women in Education Anderson	T	4:00 - 6:30
EPE	798	402	Seminar in Higher Education: Affirmative Action Nordin	T	7:00 - 9:30
ENG	570	001	Madness in Pan African Women's Literature Fragd	MWF	1:00 - 1:50
ENG	771	002	Gender and Victorian Culture Rosenman	M	3:00 - 5:30
GEO	716	401	Geography and Sexuality Nast	R	6:00 - 8:45
GER	616	001	Fairy Tales in German Blackwell	MW	2:00 - 3:15
HET	547	001	Social and Psychological Aspects of Apparel Miller	MW	4:00 - 5:15
HIS	650	002	Topics in U.S. Women's History Kern	M	1:00 - 2:50
PHI	630	001	Seminar in Moral Philosophy: Feminist Ethics Callahan	M	4:00 - 6:30
SOC	635	001	Proseminar in Work, Gender, and Inequality Blee	T	2:00 - 4:30
TA	770	001	Contemporary Plays by Women Lehman	TR	2:00 - 3:15

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