Joint Minor in Black Women’s Studies

The minor in Black Women’s Studies focuses on the lives and experiences of women of Africa and the African Diaspora. As a specialty in the fields of Women’s Studies and African American Studies, it will provide students with tools for understanding the social and cultural contexts in which race, gender, class, sexuality, ethnicity, nation and other dimensions of difference intersect to influence the lives and experiences of Black women. In addition, through this course of study, students will analyze how Black women have empowered themselves through community work, political activism and cultural production. No course with a grade less than C- may be used to satisfy the minor, and students must earn a minimum GPA of 2.0 overall in the minor. More information can be found online at ter.ps/bwms

Minor Requirements (15 credits)

Foundation courses (6 credits):
- One of the following:
  - WMST 263/AASP 298I: Introduction to Black Women’s Studies
  - WMST 265/AASP 298B: Constructions of Manhood and Womanhood in the Black Community
  - AASP 313/WMST 314: Black Women in U.S. History

Area courses (9 credits):
- One course (3 credits) from Area I – Comparative or Non-U.S. course
- One course (3 credits) from Area II - Humanities
- One course (3 credits) from Area III – Social Sciences

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Foundation Courses:
- WMST 265 Constructions of Manhood and Womanhood in the Black Community (cross-listed as AASP 298I)
  Taught by A. Hackshaw; Thursdays, 4-6:30pm, KEY 0116

Area Courses:
- Area I or III – AASP 398G Gender, Labor, and Racial Identity in Diaspora Communities
  Taught by S. Harley; Tues/Thur, 11am-12:15pm, BPS 1238
- Area II – AASP 498K Black Masculinities in Art, Music, and Dance
  Taught by J. Nichols; Tuesdays, 4-6:30pm, KEY 0116
- Area I or II – ENGL 362 Caribbean Literature in English
  Taught by M. Collins; Tues/Thur, 11am-12:15pm, TWS 0221
- Area III – WMST 265 Constructions of Manhood and Womanhood in the Black Community (cross-listed as AASP 298I)
  Taught by A. Hackshaw; Thursdays, 4-6:30pm, KEY 0116
- Area III – WMST 298N Racialized Gender and Rebel Media
  Taught by D. Blake; Tues/Thur, 12:30-1:45pm, TWS 1320
- Area I or II – WMST 498Z Black Women’s Arts and Culture
  Taught by E. Barkley Brown; Wednesdays 4-6:30pm, KEY 0126

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In addition to the Minor in Black Women’s Studies, the Department of Women’s Studies also offers four other undergraduate programs of study:

Ter.ps/wmstmajor B.A. in Women’s Studies (39 credits)
Ter.ps/wmstucert Certificate in Women’s Studies (21 credits)
Ter.ps/lgbtstudies Certificate in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies (21 credits)
Ter.ps/lgbts Minor in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies (15 credits)