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
- WMST 314/AASP 313: 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

Black Women’s Studies Minor Courses - Fall 2017

Foundation Courses:
- WMST 265 Constructions of Manhood and Womanhood in the Black Community (cross-listed as AASP298B)
  Wednesdays 6:00-8:30pm, JMZ 0103
- WMST 314 Black Women in U.S. History (cross-listed as AASP313, HIST329E)
  Taught by Dr. Elsa Barkley Brown; Mondays 6:00-8:30pm, KEY 0103

Area Courses:
- Area I OR Area II – ENGL 362 Caribbean Literature in English
  Tues. & Thurs. 9:30-10:45am, TWS 0201
- Area III – WMST 265 Constructions of Manhood and Womanhood in the Black Community (cross-listed as AASP298B)
  Wednesdays 6:00-8:30pm, JMZ 0103

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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/lgbtstudies Minor in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies (15 credits)