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 298B)
  Taught by D. Doster; Wednesdays 4-6:30pm, KEY 0125

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, WDS 1130
- Area II – AASP 498K Black Masculinities in Art, Music & Dance
  Taught by J. Nichols; Tuesdays 4-6:30pm, SQH 1107
- Area I or II – ENGL 362 Caribbean Literature in English (cross-listed as LASC348E)
  Taught by M. Collins; Tues/Thur, 11am-12:15pm, TWS 0221
- Area III – KNES 289R Hoop Dreams: Black Masculinity & Sport
  Taught by R. Mower; Tues/Thur, 5-6:15pm, SPH 1301
- Area II – LGBT 359B Black Sexuality in Literature and Film (cross-listed as ENGL359B)
  Taught by G. Avilez; Tues/Thur, 3:30-4:45pm, TWS 1107
- Area III – WMST 265 Construction of Manhood and Womanhood in the Black Community (cross-listed as AASP298B)
  Taught by D. Doster; Wednesdays 4-6:30pm, KEY 0125
- Area III – WMST 428J Black Feminist Science Studies
  Taught by J. Mathiason; Mon/Wed 3:30-4:45pm, HBK 1108

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In addition to the Minor in Black Women’s Studies, the Department of Women’s Studies also offers a B.A. and certificate in Women’s Studies, and a certificate and minor in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies. For more information, please see: http://wmst.umd.edu/academics/undergraduate-studies

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