

# 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](http://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

## Black Women's Studies Minor Courses - Fall 2019

Foundation Courses:

- **WMST 263 Introduction to Black Women's Studies (cross-listed as AASP 298I)**  
Taught by E. Barkley Brown; Tues/Thur 12:30-1:45pm, TYD 0111

Area Courses:

- Area I or II – **ENGL 448A Caribbean Literature by Women (cross-listed as LASC448A, WMST448A)**  
Taught by M. Collins; Tues/Thur 11am-12:15pm, TWS 0221
- Area I or II – **ENGL 362 Caribbean Literature in English**  
Taught by M. Collins; Tues/Thur, 9:30am-10:45am, TWS 1106
- Area III – **KNES 289R Hoop Dreams: Black Masculinity and Sport**  
Taught by R. Mower; Mon/Wed 4-5:15pm, ATL 2428
- Area II or III – **LGBT448L Black Queer Studies**  
Taught by S. Lewis; Tues/Thur, 12:30-1:45pm, SKN 1115
- Area II - **WMST 263 Introduction to Black Women's Studies (cross-listed as AASP 298I)**  
Taught by E. Barkley Brown; Tues/Thur 12:30-1:45pm, TYD 0111
- Area III – **WMST 298N Racialized Gender and Rebel Media**  
Taught by I. Ramos; Tues/Thur 3:30-4:45pm, JMZ 2122
- Area I or III – **WMST 428C (cross-listed as AASP 499C, AMST498E, SOCY498F) Race and Reproduction**  
Taught by S. Madhavan; Wednesdays 2-4:30pm, ASY 3203
- Area II – **WMST 428L 21<sup>st</sup> Century Black Feminisms**  
Taught by S. Lewis; Thur 4-6:30pm

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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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