## Women's Studies

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (AA)**

**REQUIRED CREDITS:** 60  
**DEGREE CODE:** WMST-AA

### DESCRIPTION
Gender shapes human consciousness and determines the social, economic, political, and cultural organization of human society throughout history. Students who enter into women's studies will thus be exposed to the historical and contemporary issues of gender. We are committed to providing a setting for students to develop critical thinking and writing skills, the ability to analyze material, the use of abstract thinking, and oral presentations. These are skills that will serve the students well in their personal professional and social lives.

### STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES
- Explain and identify the contributions that women have made throughout history in all aspects of life and the sources of their omission from traditional approaches to scholarship and traditional centers of power.
- Explain contemporary issues concerning gender and sexual orientation in culture and society, global and local activism, and structural and cultural analyses.
- Summarize knowledge of feminist theories, multidisciplinary perspectives, feminist research methodologies, and ethics.
- Cultivate abstract thinking, analyze situations and texts, organize information and analyses to demonstrate good communication skills.

### PLEASE NOTE
- The courses listed below may require a prerequisite or corequisite. Read course descriptions before registering for classes. All MATH and ENG courses numbered 01-99 must be completed before reaching 30 total college-level credits. No course under 100-level counts toward degree completion.

### GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (34 CREDITS)

**MATHEMATICS (3 credits)**  
Recommended: MATH 120 Fundamentals of College Mathematics

**ENGLISH COMPOSITION (6-8 credits)**  
See AA/AB/AS policy p. 47 for courses

**LITERATURE (3 credits)**  
ENG 231 or 232

**ANALYTICAL REASONING (3 credits)**  
Required: PHIL 102 Reasoning and Critical Thinking

**NATURAL SCIENCE (6-7 credits)**  
See AA/AB/AS policy p. 48 for courses

**FINE ARTS (3 credits)**  
See AA/AB/AS policy p. 48 for courses

**HUMANITIES (6 credits)**  
COM 101 and one course from the following: ENG 223; HIST; PHIL 101, 119, 129, 201, 202, 203; RST

**U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS (4-6 credits)**  
Recommended: PSC 101 Introduction to American Politics

### SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (26 CREDITS)

**CORE REQUIREMENTS (8-9 credits)**
- WMST 101 Introduction to Women’s Studies 3
- WMST 113 Gender, Race, and Class 3
- WMST 295 Special Topics 1-3

**ELECTIVES (choose 9 credits)**
Any WMST course not used in the Core Requirements  
*See a counselor to select courses*

**SOCIAL SCIENCE**  
(Nine credits must be from three different disciplines):  
ANTH (except 102); CRJ 104; ECON; PSC 200 or above; PSY; SOC

*See Degree Plan on next page.*

### VALUES AND DIVERSITY
All students MUST fulfill this requirement. Course chosen may also be used to fulfill the corresponding general education or special program requirements. Completing ENG 231 or 232 as required for the “Literature” requirement or WMST 101 or 113 as required for the “Core” will also cover the “Values and Diversity” requirement.

### NOTE
- Course numbers with the “B” suffix may be non-transferable for a NSHE baccalaureate degree.
- Course numbers with the “H” suffix are designated Honors-level courses and can be used to fulfill equivalent general education requirements. For more information visit www.csn.edu/honors.
- In no case, may one course be used to meet more than one requirement except for the Values and Diversity general education requirement (only AA, AS, and AB degrees) which may be used to fulfill the corresponding general education or emphasis requirement.
- Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.
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## FULL-TIME STUDENT DEGREE PLAN

Add more semesters to modify this plan to fit part-time student needs.

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**DEGREE PLAN TOTAL CREDITS........................................................................60-64**

¹Only BIOL 122 Desert Plants completes this requirement at 3 credits and is only offered in the spring semester.

²Course also covers the Values and Diversity general education requirement.

³Must be a WMST course NOT already used to satisfy other areas of this degree.

⁴Use the course list that follows “COM 101 and one course from the following”