# **WOMEN'S STUDIES (WST)**

### WST 2000 | Introduction to Women's Studies: GT-SS3

Lecture Credit: 3

Examines the nature and function of women in society from an interdisciplinary perspective, focusing on the similarity and diversity of women's experience over time and across cultures. The course will examine topics such as sex role, socialization, political, and philosophical perspectives on women's issues, and women's accomplishments in history, art, literature, science, health issues and the family. Students will gain an awareness of the limitations of traditional scholarship on women, and gain a means of practical application of the new scholarship on women's roles and nature. This course is one of the Statewide Guaranteed Transfer courses. GT-SS3

Prerequisite: College Readiness in English

#### WST 2075 | Special Topics

Provides students with a vehicle to pursue in depth exploration of special topics of interest.

Note: Special topics courses range from 0-12 credits and vary in learning type. Please see your program chair for more information about your options.

#### WST 2100 | Women and Social Action: GT-SS3

Lecture Credit: 3

Enables students to gain an understanding of the role of the systems of oppression in society and avenues available to them to create both individual and collective change through social action. Each student becomes aware of their ability to enact change and the empowerment that process provides. We will explore issues of diversity including, but not limited to race, class gender, age and disability. The course emphasizes critical thinking skills and is informed by feminist pedagogy. This course is one of the Statewide Guaranteed Transfer courses. GT-SS3

Prerequisite: College Readiness in English

## WST 2200 | Goddesses and Women in Ancient World: GT-SS3

Lecture Credit: 3

Surveys gender socialization and the roles, challenges, contributions, and images of women in the development of cultures. Through a study of arts, literature, music, politics, religion, philosophy, laws, and social standards students are introduced to the history of ideas that have defined women's place in societies. It examines goddesses, rituals, and ceremonies and how the image of the Feminine Divine changed from matriarchal cultures through the establishment of patriarchal cultures. These topics will be viewed through diverse cultures, including European and non-European, from the Ancient World through the Middle Ages. This course is one of the Statewide Guaranteed Transfer courses. GT-SS3

Prerequisite: College Readiness in English

#### WST 2300 | Women's Sexuality: GT-SS3

Lecture Credit: 3

Explores how different cultures have understood women's sexuality and the power of femininity. The course addresses theories of sexuality and erotic power, women's sexualities across cultures and throughout the lifespan, the perception of sexuality in religion and history, and creative visualizations of women's sexuality in literature, visual, musical and performance art. This course is a part of the Statewide Guaranteed Transfer courses. GT-SS3

Prerequisite: College Readiness in English