MINOR IN GENDER STUDIES

The Gender Studies program provides students the opportunity to study how gender structures our lives, ideas, institutions, society, and cultural practices. As an interdisciplinary program, Gender Studies combines the analytic tools of different disciplines, incorporating both practical and theoretical approaches to understanding how gender functions. The program also addresses how differences in racial, ethnic, class and sexual identity structure the complex nature of gender-based inequity, injustice, and systematic oppression of women.

Course | Title | Credits
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Required Courses | 12 |
Select four of the following:
CIN 370 | Selected Topics in Cinema Studies |
CIN 375 | Women and Film |
CIN 380 | The Male Image in American Film |
GLS 243 | The Developing World |
HI 315 | Fashion Film and Food in South Asia |
HI 316 | Women and Gender in South Asia |
HI 358 | U.S. Women’s History |
ID 211 | Sex, Gender, and Power |
ID 260 | Sex and American Culture |
LA 104 | Gender and the Law |
LA 105 | Race and the Law |
LIT 334 | Women in Literature |
LIT 366 | American Icons |
LIT 369 | Sexual Identity and Culture |
LIT 370 | Passing in American Literature |
LIT 377 | Transgender Literature |
LIT 381 | Sitcom Nation: The American Family in Fiction and Film |
MC 260 | The Television Industry |
MG 228 | Managing Diversity in the Workplace |
NASC 112 | Evolution, Human Genetics and Behavior |
PS 333 | Gender Psychology |
PS 351 | Nonverbal Behavior and Judging Others |
PS 388 | Abnormal Psychology |
SO 241 | Race and Racism in the United States |
SO 271 | Self and Society |

Courses taken to fulfill a minor can be applied as business-related electives, arts and sciences electives, unrestricted electives, the humanities/social science elective or the mathematics/natural sciences elective.

Policies Related to Minors

- Some major/minor combinations are prohibited. See the major/minor exclusions list (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements-major-minor-exclusions/) for more information.
- Courses taken to fulfill a minor can be applied as business-related electives, arts and sciences electives, unrestricted electives, the humanities/social science elective or the mathematics/natural sciences elective.
- The electives guide (catalog.bentley.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/elective-guide/) defines all classes as either arts and sciences or business. Students are strongly encouraged to maintain an awareness of where courses taken for a minor apply to their degree requirements.
- Courses fulfilling General Education requirements (except the humanities/social science elective and the math/natural science elective) may not be applied to a minor.
- Courses used to fulfill the modern language requirement for BA students cannot be applied to a minor.
- Courses fulfilling Business Core requirements may not be applied to a minor (except for the Business Studies Minor).
- A course taken under the Pass/Fail/D policy may be applied to the minor.
- Major courses (including courses applied to the Liberal Studies Major or Business Studies Major) may not be applied to a minor.
- Students may apply only one course not taken at Bentley (from sources such as transfer, IB, AP course away, non-Bentley study abroad program, etc.) to the minor.
- Students may only complete a maximum of two minors.
- Students must achieve a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in the minor.

1 Other courses offered in a particular semester may also count toward the Gender Studies minor. Students can check with the Gender Studies minor coordinator for more information.