

What can I do with a Women's Instructional Program Certificate?

The Certificate verifies that you have had thorough exposure to women's experiences and perspectives; received training in how to communicate effectively, think critically, and creatively analyze problems. You will gain relevant tools and experiences that will prepare you for a wide range of career fields:

- Graduates are poised to work with advocacy groups, human rights organizations, environmental and consumer groups, health care, and youth, elderly and social services.
- Graduates are well suited for entry-level positions in policy organizations, research centers, trade and international associations and unions.
- The interdisciplinary nature of the ISWG Certificate is an excellent preparation for careers in education that require expertise in finding and using information on contemporary social issues.
- The integration of race, class, and gender prepares students for many transfer and graduate degree programs.

For more information: www.nwsa.org

Approved Courses, 2008-09

Choose one of the following:

- ANTH 150 Sex & Gender: Cross Cultural Persp.
- HUM 151 Women's Ethnic Heritage
- HIST 150 History of American Women 1600-1900
- HIST 152 Women in Twentieth Century America

Choose at least one course from each category:

CIVIC and ARTISTIC EXPRESSION

- ART 218 History of Women in the Visual Arts
- ENGL 212 Introduction to Literature by Women
- HUMA 100 The American Mind 1
- HUMA 101 The American Mind 2
- POLI 120 Introduction to the Principles of American Government
- POLI 121 Introduction to the Principles of American Government

SELF and COMMUNITY CARE

- ANTH 180 (CFS 180) Anthropology of Childhood
- CFS 140 The Child, Family and Community
- CFS 160 Parenting
- HELH 106 Personal and Community Health
- PSYC 135 (SOCL 135) Human Sexuality
- PSYC 128 Cross- Cultural Psychology
- COUN 124 Working with Diverse Populations

COMMUNICATION and CAREER

- SPEE 120 Interpersonal Communications
- SPEE 122 Public Speaking
- SPEE 124 Career Communications
- SPEE 126 Intercultural Communications
- BUSI 108 Financial Planning and Investing
- COUN 90 Career Decision- Making
- COUN 110 Career/ Life Planning
- Work Experience 190 and/or 193

Total Units Required for Certificate: 12-15



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Why Study Women and Gender at Napa Valley College?

Women and Gender Studies introduces students to the analytical tools and basic approaches to the study of women and gender in a variety of fields. Gender studies includes, but is not limited to, masculinity studies, sexuality studies, multiple genders across cultures and history, as well as the social, political and economic arrangements that have structured gender relationships and expression in art, litera-

ture and political movements. Students will explore women and gender issues around the world and dimensions of race, class and sexuality in the lives of women. Students will merge these tools and areas of interest into an integrative approach that is interdisciplinary. Students may choose from a variety of courses in many NVC departments including anthropology, psychology, political science, history, child and family studies, humanities and nursing.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Who is eligible?** Any NVC student with a least a 2.0 GPA is eligible.
- **What are the costs?** There are no additional costs other than the regular tuition/fees. At that rate you can't afford NOT to participate!
- **Will my Certificate appear on my transcript?** The Certificate is currently pending approval from the Chancellor of California Community Colleges. Once approved, Certificates will appear on student transcripts.
- **Do I have to take all courses at NVC?** No. You may meet with the Program Coordinator to discuss non-NVC courses.

Student Learning Outcomes

Certificate students enroll in a program of study that comprises several thematic

categories: **Civic & Artistic Expression, Self & Community Care, and Communication & Career.**

Upon completion, students will learn how to:

- Vote and advocate for issues
- Participate in their communities
- Promote physical & emotional well-being
- Demonstrate financial planning skills



- Appreciate family and cultural traditions
- Speak confidently about women's experiences
- Appreciate diverse communication styles
 - Demonstrate effective career planning
 - Develop leadership and teamwork skills

Certificate Requirements

The 12-15 unit Certificate program includes one core 3-unit course and at least one course from each of the three thematic categories (see back of brochure for approved courses) . For courses not listed, please contact the Program Coordinator for individualized advisement.

For Further Information

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