

C A R E E R P A T H F I N D E R S

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE WITH A MAJOR IN

WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

Overview

Women's and Gender Studies promotes an intersectional approach to understanding social problems and phenomena. It pays special attention to the ways sex, gender, and sexuality are shaped by colonialism, racism, ageism, homophobia, and transphobia, as well as by constructions of difference based on class, (dis)ability, religion, ethnicity, and culture. In our classes, students of all genders and sexualities learn about feminist movements to end sexism, exploitation, and related social oppressions.

"WGS provided me with a whole new consciousness and set of thought processes. It changes the way you think about and view the world and social issues....My experience has given me a new capacity for critical thought that has helped me in both my career and research endeavours."

- Jess Leppik (BA), who is pursuing a Masters degree in Family Therapy

Job Titles

- Lawyer (NOC 4112)
- Women's Centre Staff (NOC 4212)
- Social Worker (NOC 4152)
- Public Policy Analyst (NOC 4164)
- Reproductive Issues Counsellor (NOC 4153)
- Victim's Rights Advocate (NOC 4212)
- Writer (NOC 5121)
- Public Administration (NOC 0423)
- Educator (NOC 4011, 4021, 4031)
- Fundraiser (NOC 1123)

- Community Development Worker (NOC 4212)
- Media Planner (NOC 1123)
- Elementary and Kindergarten Teacher (NOC 4032)
- Social and Community Service Worker (NOC 4212)
- Human Resource Professional (NOC 1121)
- Early Childhood Educator (NOC 4214)
- Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations Specialist (NOC 1123) 1,2

¹ The numbers following each job title refer to <u>Canada's National Occupational Classification (NOC) code</u>. Jobs may require additional education or training.

² Government of Canada. "Women's Studies (05.0207), Bachelor's degree". Job Bank, 31 March 2020, https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/studentdashboard/05.0207/LOS05

Work Settings

Skills and Characteristics

- Community Service Agencies
- Consulting Firms
- Correctional Facilities
- Counselling Agencies
- Cultural Organizations
- Educational Institutions
- Government Agencies/Departments
- Health Care Centres
- International Organizations
- Legal Profession
- Media/Publishing/Telecommunications
 Industries
- Museums/Galleries
- Non-Government Organizations
- Political Parties
- Private Practice
- Public Interest Groups
- Research Institutes
- Social Service Organizations
- Trade/Professional Associations

- Social justice issues awareness
- Research
- Analysis
- Communication
- Organization
- Collaboration
- Allyship
- Professional presentation

Professional Associations and Other Links

- Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women https://www.criaw-icref.ca/en/
- Association for Women's Rights in Development http://www.awid.org/
- Incite: Women of Colour Against Violence http://www.incite-national.org/
- Women's and Gender Studies et Recherches Féministes https://wgsrf.com/
- Open Call for Social Justice http://www.ocsj.ca/
- Global Fund for Women http://www.globalfundforwomen.org/
- Catalyst Jobs http://www.catalyst.org/job-openings
- Fort Garry Women's Resource Centre http://fgwrc.ca

This document is intended to provide a starting point for your career research. For more information about UWinnipeg's Women's and Gender Studies program, visit the <u>Department of Women's and Gender Studies website</u> and the <u>Women's and Gender Studies Fact Sheet.</u>

Students are encouraged to <u>schedule an appointment with an Academic and Career Advisor</u> for assistance with career planning.