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WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES PROGRAM (WMNS)

WMNS 10 Prism Learning Community Seminar

Prerequisites: Membership in PRISM Learning Community

Description: Exploration of LGBTQA+ identities, communities, and

histories with an emphasis on intersectionality.

Credit Hours: 0

Max credits per semester: Max credits per degree: Grading Option: Pass No Pass

WMNS 101 Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies

Description: Personal, interpersonal and institutional dimensions of

women's experiences from a variety of perspectives.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option **ACE:** ACE 9 Global/Diversity **Groups:** CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 125 Powerful Queens and Warrior Women in the Premodern World

Crosslisted with: HIST 125

Prerequisites: Freshman or sophomore status required. Juniors or

seniors may only enroll with permission.

Description: Women who made history by manipulating or discarding the expected social norms of wife and mother in order to exert power and influence over their world. Topics may include: Penelope, Hatshepsut, Cleopatra, Lü Zhi, Irene of Byzantium, Eleanor of Aquitaine, Isabel of Castille, Njinga of Ngola, and Elizabeth I of England.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Offered: FALL/SPR

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity

WMNS 189H University Honors Seminar

Prerequisites: Good standing in the University Honors Program or by

invitation

Notes: University Honors Seminar 189H is required of all students in the

University Honors Program. **Description:** Topic varies.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3 Grading Option: Graded ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity WMNS 200 Gender in Contemporary Society

Crosslisted with: SOCI 200

Description: Examination of how gender matters in the social world, with a focus on gender and diversity in the US. Introduction to sociological theories about gender and related research. Considers how lifelong gender socialization, social institutions, norms, laws, and cultural practices create gendered effects for individuals, communities, and

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

groups in every aspect of life.

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity ACE 6 Social Science

Groups: CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 201 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/

Sexuality Studies

Description: Interdisciplinary issues related to sexuality and gender, both

historical and contemporary.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option **ACE:** ACE 9 Global/Diversity

Groups: CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 202 Women, Gender, and Health

Description: Historical experiences of women within health. Societal constructs of gender in the field of health. Feminist critiques of health

and gender.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity Groups: CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 204 Women and Gender in U.S. History

Crosslisted with: HIST 204

Description: Survey of women's experiences and gender relations in

American history from 1500 to present.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester. 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 5 Humanities

WMNS 210 Activism and Feminist Communities

Description: Intersection of service learning and activism with feminist

theories.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option ACE: ACE 8 Civic/Ethics/Stewardship Groups: CAS Diversity in the US

Experiential Learning: Case/Project-Based Learning

WMNS 211 Introduction to Gender and Sexuality in Film

Crosslisted with: FILM 211

Description: Introductory overview of theories of gender and sexuality in

relation to film. Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity

WMNS 212 Introduction to LGBTQ Literature

Crosslisted with: ENGL 212

Description: Introduction to variety of works by lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender writers. Significant literary, cultural, social, and historical

issues and themes. Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity ACE 5 Humanities

Groups: CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 215 Introduction to Women's Literature

Crosslisted with: ENGL 215

Description: Introduction to English literature written by women, studies

in the cultural, social, and/or historical contexts.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity ACE 5 Humanities

WMNS 218 Philosophy of Feminism

Crosslisted with: PHIL 218

Description: Fundamental assumptions and philosophical foundations of varieties of feminist thought. Nature of gender, gender identity, sex differences, and the role of science in defining sex and gender.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 5 Humanities ACE 9 Global/Diversity

Groups: CAS Diversity in the US WMNS 226 Families and Society Crosslisted with: SOCI 226

Description: Overview of the sociological study of families. Family and marriage patterns over time. Socialization, economic exchange, and social support functions of family roles. The effect of the economy, public policy, and other social institutions on families. Emphasis on gender, sexuality, social class, and racial/ethnic diversity in U.S families.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity ACE 6 Social Science

WMNS 250 Sex and Gender Around the Globe

Description: Issues of gender through global lenses. Investigate the roles gender plays in complex issues of migration, war, global economics, education, food, water, transport, family integrity, security, and several other global issues. How femininity, masculinity and sexuality shape these questions as well as how these issues affect local communities.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester. 3 Max credits per degree: 3 **Grading Option:** Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity

WMNS 288 Exploring Love, Sexuality and Femininity in the History of

Arabic Culture

Crosslisted with: ARAB 288, RELG 288 Notes: Taught in English. Letter grade only.

Description: Concepts of love, sexuality and femininity as studied in their

historical, religious and sociological contexts.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3 **Grading Option:** Graded ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity

WMNS 291 Special Topics in Women's & Gender Studies

Description: Topics vary. Credit Hours: 1-6

Min credits per semester: 1 Max credits per semester: 6 Max credits per degree: 6

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 301 Sexuality and Power

Notes: This course may be repeated once with a different instructor and

focus. Grade Only.

Description: Feminist and queer perspectives on the state's role in producing and regulating sexuality. Focus on sexuality as it intersects with other systems of inequality and difference, including race, class, and gender.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester. 3 Max credits per degree: 6 **Grading Option: Graded**

WMNS 306 Women in Quran

Crosslisted with: ARAB 306, MRST 306, RELG 306 Notes: Taught in English. Letter grade only.

Description: A diachronic approach to Quran as a literature. Provides an analytic, linguistic as well as the critical study of both the Qur'anic text and its exegeses.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester. 3 Max credits per degree: 3 **Grading Option:** Graded

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WMNS 312 LGBTQ Literature and Film

Crosslisted with: ENGL 312

Description: Analysis of a variety of works by lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, and transgender writers and filmmakers. Significant literary, cultural,

social, and historical issues and themes.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester. 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity ACE 5 Humanities

Groups: CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 315 Gender and Sexuality in Hispanic Culture

Crosslisted with: SPAN 315

Prerequisites: SPAN 305 or SPAN 306

Description: Examination of gender and sexuality in the cultures of Spain and Latin America, focusing on women's studies and feminism,

masculinities, sexualities, and LGBTQ+ issues.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Offered: SPRING

ACE: ACE 5 Humanities

Course and Laboratory Fee: \$10

WMNS 315A Survey of Women's Literature

Crosslisted with: ENGL 315A

Notes: May not be offered every year.

Description: Historical survey of women's writings in English.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option WMNS 315B Women in Popular Culture

Crosslisted with: ENGL 315B

Description: Relation between women's roles and popular images in the media, including romances, television shows, science fiction, and

magazines, with attention to their historical development.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 9 Global/Diversity

WMNS 321 Women in Classical Mythology

Crosslisted with: CLAS 321

Description: Introduction to female figures from Classical Mythology with application of feminist theories to interpret the myths. Analysis of the portrayal of goddesses and heroines from Classical mythology in ancient and modern sources across genres, time periods, and media.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Offered: FALL/SPR ACE: ACE 5 Humanities

WMNS 325 Contemporary Family Issues

Crosslisted with: SOCI 325

Prerequisites: 6 hours of SOCI, or Junior standing or Senior standing. **Description:** In-depth examination of select contemporary issues confronting families and family research. Adolescent pregnancy, union formation, parenting, work-family, divorce and family instability, and

family violence. Topics vary by instructor.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 329 Women in European History Crosslisted with: HIST 329, MRST 329 Prerequisites: Sophomore standing

Description: Survey of women in European history from the Middle Ages to the present. Themes include power relations, work, love and sexuality, marriage, legal issues for women, and growth of feminist consciousness.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 336 Saints, Witches, and Madwomen Crosslisted with: HIST 336, MRST 336 Prerequisites: Sophomore standing

Notes: Pre-1800 content.

Description: Image of the madwoman throughout European and American history. Emphasis on how women on the margins have been labelled in different periods as saintly, as witches, or as insane.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 338 Women and Politics Crosslisted with: POLS 338

Description: Survey of women as political actors: participation in political life, barriers to participation, political attitudes, issues of special concern

to women, and issues of particular concern to women of color.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

Groups: CAS Diversity in the US WMNS 340 Women in the Biblical World Crosslisted with: JUDS 340, RELG 340

Description: Role and status of women as depicted in the Hebrew Bible/ Old Testament and the New Testament. The stories and laws concerning women found in the Bible and from extra-biblical evidence.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option
WMNS 344B Black Women Authors
Crosslisted with: ENGL 344B, ETHN 344B

Description: Representative works by Black women, composed in various genres, studied in their social and historical contexts. May not be offered

every year.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 345N Native American Women Writers

Crosslisted with: ENGL 345N, ETHN 345N

Description: Representative writings by Native American women in their

social and historical contexts.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Offered: SPRING

ACE: ACE 5 Humanities ACE 9 Global/Diversity

Groups: CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 356 African-American Women's History

Crosslisted with: ETHN 356, HIST 356 **Prerequisites:** Sophomore standing

Description: Surveys Black and/or African-American women's history from the 15th to the late 20th century. The transatlantic slave trade, "New World" experiences, slavery and resistance, sexuality, cultural persistence and evolution, racial strife, the struggle for civil rights, and

black womanist and feminist theories.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option Groups: CAS Diversity in the US WMNS 358 Native American Women Crosslisted with: ETHN 358, HIST 358

Description: History of the indigenous women of North America. Gender roles and kinship organization, women's work and economic activities, political and diplomatic roles, and everyday lives and relationships. Analysis of change over time and the effects of colonization and dominant society's imposition of patriarchy. Famous indigenous women such as: Pocahontas, Sacagewea, Nancy Ward, and Winona LaDuke. Contemporary issues.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option **ACE**: ACE 9 Global/Diversity

WMNS 377 Women of the Great Plains Crosslisted with: GPSP 377, GEOG 377

Description: The intersection of gender, identity, power, and representation throughout time and space in the Great Plains of the

United States and Canada.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3 Grading Option: Graded

ACE: ACE 5 Humanities ACE 9 Global/Diversity

WMNS 380 Gender and Communication

Crosslisted with: COMM 380

Description: Introduction to theory and research in gender and communication. Emphasis on examining the relationships among gender,

language, social reality, and cultural values.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 386 Historical Highlights of French Queerness

Crosslisted with: FREN 386 **Notes:** Taught in English

Description: A survey of normative and subversive gender identities in

France 1600-2000. Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3 Grading Option: Graded

WMNS 387 Women Totalitarian Experience: Culture, Identity and Memory

Crosslisted with: CZEC 387, GERM 387, JUDS 387

Notes: Taught in English.

Description: Examination of complexities of women's experience under

Nazism and Communism of Central and Eastern Europe.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3 Grading Option: Graded

Offered: FALL

ACE: ACE 5 Humanities

WMNS 388 Body Language: Love, Politics, and the Self in French

Literature

Crosslisted with: FREN 388, ENGL 388, MRST 388

Notes: Taught in English.

Description: French texts from the sixteenth to twentieth centuries (drama, prose, poetry, autobiography), all of which use the body as a reference point to explore developments in gender, religion, science, and

society in French literature and civilization.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 391 Special Topics in Women's & Gender Studies

Description: Topics vary. **Credit Hours**: 1-6

Min credits per semester. 1 Max credits per semester. 6 Max credits per degree: 6

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 395 Internship in Women's and Gender Studies

Prerequisites: Permission.

Description: Experiential learning designed to deepen understanding of classroom concepts related to study of women and gender in society.

Credit Hours: 1-6

Min credits per semester: 1 Max credits per semester: 6 Max credits per degree: 6 Grading Option: Pass No Pass WMNS 396 Independent Study

Prerequisites: Permission.

Description: Independent reading or research under direction by a faculty

member.

Credit Hours: 1-3

Min credits per semester: 1 Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 6

Grading Option: Graded with Option

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WMNS 401K LGBTQ Drama and Popular Culture

Crosslisted with: ENGL 401K, ENGL 801K, WMNS 801K

Prerequisites: Junior standing

Description: Overview of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer

drama and popular culture.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 402 Sexuality in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century America

Crosslisted with: HIST 402, HIST 802, WMNS 802

Description: Sexual practices and ideologies in American history from the

1800's to the present. **Credit Hours**: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option **Groups**: CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 410 Gender: An Anthropological Perspective Crosslisted with: ANTH 410, ANTH 810, WMNS 810

Prerequisites: 6 hrs ANTH

Description: Theoretical approaches to gender. Emphasis is placed on cross-cultural differences in gender socialization of as it pertains to sexual behavior, power within domestic and public spheres, and the

impact of gender on individual aspirations.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option WMNS 410A Body, Dress and Identity

Crosslisted with: TMFD 410, TMFD 810, WMNS 810A

Prerequisites: TMFD 410 ONLY: Junior or Senior standing; 3hrs PSYC or

SOCI; TMFD 123.

Description: Theories and research findings about the social, cultural, and psychological aspects of clothing and appearance in relation to the self and others. Special emphasis will be placed on relationship(s) between the body, dress, and personal and social identities.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Offered: SPRING

Prerequisite for: TMFD 910

WMNS 412 Religion, Gender, and Sexuality Crosslisted with: SOCI 412, SOCI 812, WMNS 812

Prerequisites: Junior or Senior standing

Description: Examination of how religion is used to shape, maintain, and transform gender and sexuality in the U.S. and beyond. Focus on the intersection of religion, gender, and sexuality from a feminist/queer theoretical perspective.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 414 Women's Literature

Crosslisted with: ENGL 414, ENGL 814, WMNS 814

Prerequisites: Junior standing

Description: A particular historical or other groups of literature by and

about women, seen in their aesthetic and intellectual context.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option WMNS 421 Psychology of Gender

Crosslisted with: PSYC 421, PSYC 821, WMNS 821

Prerequisites: 12 hrs PSYC.

Description: Theory and research on the role of gender in human behavior and attitudes. Diverse theoretical positions on the development of gender and the biological, social, and cultural bases that influence the relationship between gender and a variety of areas of human experience (e.g., intelligence and achievement, emotion, relationships, sexuality,

physical fitness, stress, and coping).

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option **Groups:** CAS Diversity in the US

WMNS 440 Gender and Sexuality in the Ancient World Crosslisted with: CLAS 440, CLAS 840, WMNS 840

Description: Ancient Greek and Roman evidence pertaining to the fields of

women's studies, gender studies, and the study of sexuality.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 445 Gender Economics and Social Provisioning Crosslisted with: ECON 445, ECON 845, WMNS 845

Prerequisites: ECON 211 or ECON 212

Description: Introduction to the field of feminist economics. Critiques of economic theory and methodology along with gender and household decision-making, the care economy, international migration, development, globalization, the feminization of labor markets, and macroeconomics.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option **Groups:** General Economics and Theory

Experiential Learning: Research

WMNS 454 Gender and Sexuality in Spain

Crosslisted with: SPAN 454, SPAN 854, WMNS 854

Prerequisites: SPAN 300A, SPAN 303, or SPAN 304 and an additional 3

hours of SPAN at the 300 level.

Description: Analysis of gender and sexuality in the culture and literature of Spain, covering topics related to women's studies, masculinities and

LGBTQ+ issues. Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Offered: FALL

ACE: ACE 10 Integrated Product

WMNS 459 Women and Gender in African Societies

Crosslisted with: HIST 459, HIST 859, ETHN 459, WMNS 859

Description: Explores how the contemporary women's movement has

emerged within Africa and its relationship to social change.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option WMNS 470 Feminisms in Latin America

Crosslisted with: SPAN 470, SPAN 870, WMNS 870, ETHN 470
Prerequisites: SPAN 300A, SPAN 303, or SPAN 304 and an additional 3

hours of SPAN at the 300 level.

Description: Examination of a variety of feminist Latin American texts including poetry, fiction, history, philosophy and political manifestos from a cultural and literary studies perspective. Consideration of pop culture and visual artists.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 475A Rhetorical Theory: Rhetoric of Women Writers Crosslisted with: ENGL 475A, ENGL 875A, WMNS 875A

Prerequisites: Junior standing

Description: Rhetoric and rhetorical theory of women writers and speakers and its implications for literature, composition, literacy, feminist

theory, and women's and gender studies.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 476A Gender and Sexuality in Latin America

Crosslisted with: HIST 476A, ETHN 476A, HIST 876A, WMNS 876A

Prerequisites: Junior standing

Description: Experience of femininity and masculinity compared according to time and place, revealing the intimate connections with

nation, modernity, race, and ethnicity.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 477 Gender and Material Culture

Crosslisted with: TMFD 477, TMFD 877, WMNS 877

Prerequisites: Junior Standing; 3 hours in any of the following areas:

ANTH, SOCI, HIST, AHIS, TMFD or WMNS.

Description: In depth analysis of the relationship between material culture and gender roles, categories, and performances. Engages with theoretical frameworks for material culture and gender, as well as topics such as the body, clothing, the built environment, technology and media.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 485 Feminist Theories, Feminists' Perspectives

Crosslisted with: WMNS 885

Prerequisites: WMNS major or minor.

Description: Introduction to feminist and gender theory. Important theoretical frameworks upon which Women's Studies is based and the

implications of these theories in practice.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3 Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 486 Sociology of Gender

Prerequisite for: WMNS 489

Crosslisted with: SOCI 486, SOCI 886, WMNS 886 Prerequisites: 9 hours of SOCI, or Senior standing. Notes: SOCI 200 is strongly recommended.

Description: Evaluation and application of scholarly theory and research on gender in societal context. The nature and effects of sex stratification, gendered culture, institutionalized sexism, feminist theory and sociology

of knowledge.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 489 Senior Seminar Prerequisites: WMNS 485

Description: Topic varies. Focus is to integrate a variety of perspectives on Women's and Gender Studies; to tie together diverse materials that the student will have been presented with in the discipline oriented courses.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 3 Grading Option: Graded

ACE: ACE 10 Integrated Product

WMNS 491 Special Topics in Women's and Gender Studies

Description: Topics vary. **Credit Hours:** 1-6

Min credits per semester: 1 Max credits per semester: 6 Max credits per degree: 6

Grading Option: Graded with Option WMNS 499 Undergraduate Thesis

Prerequisites: Permission.

Description: Independent research leading to a thesis.

Credit Hours: 1-3

Min credits per semester: 1 Max credits per semester: 3 Max credits per degree: 6

Grading Option: Graded with Option

WMNS 499H Honors Undergraduate Thesis

Prerequisites: Permission

Description: Independent research leading to a thesis.

Credit Hours: 1-3

Min credits per semester. 1 Max credits per semester. 3 Max credits per degree: 6

Grading Option: Graded with Option