University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Curriculum Proposal Form #2

## Change in Degree, Major, or Submajor

**Effective Term:**

**Type of Action:**

**Degree:**

**Program Title:** Women's Studies

**GPA Requirement for the Major/Submajor:**

**Sponsor(s):** Lauren B. Smith

**Department(s):** Women's Studies

**College(s):**

# **Consultation took place**: NA Yes (list departments and attach consultation sheet)

Departments:

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**Proposal Information:**

([***Procedures for Form #2***](http://acadaff.uww.edu/UCC/Curriculum_Handbook_09/Procedures_form2.docx))

**Total number of credit units in program:** no change from 33 units

Before change After change

1. **Exact description of request:**

**a**. Add PHILOSOPHY 381 - Philosophy of Gender and Race to WOMENS STUDIES MINOR area 4.

**b.** Delete SOCIAL WORK 341 and SOCIOLOGY 410 from area 4

**From** (as listed in catalog and on AR)

MINOR - 21 UNITS

1. WOMENST 100

2. WOMENST 489

3. WOMENST 280 OR PHILSPHY 390

4. SELECT 3 UNITS FROM COURSES:

WOMENST 240, WOMENST 245, WOMENST 250, WOMENST

303, WOMENST 310, WOMENST 320, WOMENST 334, WOMENST

345, WOMENST 350, WOMENST 365, WOMENST 370,

WOMENST 380, WOMENST 392, WOMENST 455, WOMENST

464, POLISCI 315, PSYCH 202, SOCIOLGY 410 (WITH APPROVAL

OF ADVISOR), SOCWORK 341

5. SELECT 9 UNITS FROM APPROVED WOMEN'S

STUDIES COURSES APPROVED BY AN ADVISOR

**To** (to be listed in catalog and on AR) – ***Addition is underlined and in bold print. Deletions are in bold with strikethroughs.***

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1. **Relationship to mission and strategic plan of institution, and/or college and department goals and objectives:**

**a**. The Women's Studies mission is to provide an interdisciplinary understanding of gender across time and cultures. PHILOSOPHY 381 examines the philosophical assumptions underlying concepts of gender and race. Topics include: historical and contemporary arguments about race and gender as biological categories; the relationship between the use of these categories and the persistence of sexism and racism; and race and gender in theories of subjectivity. This course is already part of UW-Whitewater’s curriculum. We want our students to have this option for humanities credit.

**b.** Women’s Studies minors will be able to accomplish the departmental goals more effectively and efficiently with a catalog that has been brought up to date.

1. **Rationale:**

**a.** PHILOSOPHY 381 is a valuable course for Women's Studies students which will enhance the Women's Studies curriculum and add a course with a theoretical/critical perspective on gender and race. Philosophy 381 will add an additional humanities option to the Women’s Studies minor.

**b**. These are changes proposed to bring the catalog up to date. Sociology 410 was numbered incorrectly in the catalog (clerical error). Social Work 341 will not be taught in the near future because of a retirement in that department.

1. **Cost Implications:** None.