

# Minor in LGBTQ Studies

2026-27 Catalog

## Program Description

The LGBTQ Studies minor provides students with competency in interdisciplinary scholarship related to the study of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer lives and communities as well as to the study of gender and sexual structures. The minor familiarizes students with the theoretical and methodological tools used to study gender and sexuality from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. Students will gain an understanding of how non-normative sexualities and genders have been organized in previous historical moments and in different cultural and national contexts in the present. The minor equips students with awareness of sexual and gender diversity and how sexuality intersects with and informs other categories of identity and practice, such as race, class, ethnicity, age, and disability.

A minor in LGBTQ Studies prepares students for their pursuit of graduate and professional degrees. Given the increasing demand for nuance around issues of diversity in both the public and private sectors of the job market, this minor also positions Sacramento State graduates well for careers in education, social work, counseling, health care, social services, media, law and policy, and nonprofit advocacy.

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## Program Requirements\*

<b>Units required for the Minor: 18</b>	
<b>Required Core Courses (6 Units)</b>	
WGS 50	Introduction to LGBTQ Studies (3)
WGS 150	Introduction to Queer and Trans Studies (3)
<b>Elective Courses (12 Units)</b> <i>Select four from the following:</i>	
ENGL 170M	Literatures of Sexuality (4)
ENGL 190Q	LGBTQ Literature (4)
HIST 131	History of Sexuality in Comparative Perspective (3)
HIST 172B	Queer Black Histories (3)
PHIL 123	Philosophy and Feminism (3)
POLS 168	LGBTQ Politics (3)
PSYC 160	Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (3)
PUBH 134 OR PSYC 134	Understanding Human Sexuality (3) OR Psychology of Human Sexuality (3)
SOC 128	Sociology of Sexuality (3)
SWRK 144	Working with LGBTQ+ Publics (3)
WGS 125	Sex & Gender in South Asia (3)
WGS/HIST 172A	LGBTQ Histories (3)

\*No more than 9 units in any one discipline can be taken for credit. Students must take at least one course in three *different* disciplines.