MULTICULTURAL AND GENDER STUDIES BA ONLINE

The Bachelor of Arts in Multicultural and Gender Studies Online Degree Completion program offers an interdisciplinary approach to cultural analysis and activism within and across ethnic groups in the US, studying intersectionalism with gender, sexuality, socioeconomic class, and other issues of identity.

More Information

Advising Requirement
Advising is mandatory for this program. Consult your department advisor or program coordinator for information.

E-advising Tools
Students are encouraged to use the interactive e-advising tools that have been designed to help them graduate within four years. These tools can be accessed through the Student Center.

Grading Requirement
All courses taken to fulfill program course requirements must be taken for a letter grade except those courses specified by the department as credit/no credit grading only.

Course Requirements for the Major: 60 units
Completion of the following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, is required of all candidates for this degree. Courses in this program may complete more than one graduation requirement.

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<td>Hmong Cultural Roots &amp; Contemporary Issues</td>
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<td>AFAM 320</td>
<td>Hip Hop Culture</td>
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<td>AIST 365</td>
<td>American Indian Storytelling/Oral Narrative</td>
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<td>CHLX 420</td>
<td>Latina &amp; Chicana Power</td>
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<td>MCGS 155</td>
<td>Introduction to Multicultural and Gender Studies</td>
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<td>Issues in Racial and Ethnic Equity</td>
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<td>Gender, Race, Sexuality, Science, and Society (W)</td>
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<td>AAST 152</td>
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Upper Division GE:

Students must complete nine units of upper division GE: three units in each area, Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning (UD-B), Humanities and Fine Arts (UD-C), and Social Sciences (UD-D). MCGS 350, listed above, meets UD-D requirements. Students wishing to pursue other courses to complete their GE requirement will work with an MCGS advisor.

MCGS/NURS 326W | Gender and Sexuality Perspectives on Disease (W) | 3 |
| QTST 310      | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Issues and Identities | 3 |
| or QTST 310W  | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Issues and Identities (W) | |

Major Culminating Experience:
MCGS 389 | Informed Activism and Internship | 3 |
MCGS 495W | Senior Seminar in Multicultural and Gender Studies (W) | 3 |

Area of Specialization:
Students are strongly encouraged to complete one of the following Areas of Specialization. Students wishing to pursue other elective options should work with an MCGS advisor.

American Indian Studies Specialization
AIST 203 | Visual Sovereignty: American Indian Film |
AIST/ENGL 252 | American Indian Literature |
AIST 425 | American Indian Sovereignty and U.S. Federal Law |

African American Studies Specialization
AFAM/SOCI 355 | The Sociology of African Americans |
AFAM 410 | Contemporary Issues in Black/African American Studies |

Intersectional Chicanx/Latinx Studies Specialization
CHLX/MADT 203 | Latinx Film: Representation, Resistance, and Disruption |
CHLX/HIST 235 | Mexican American History |
CHLX 416 | Latinx in the Labor Market |

Women's Studies Specialization
WMST 339 | Cultural Images of Women |
WMST 430 | Current Issues and Theories in Women's Studies |
WMST 480 | Sex Work, Queer Desire, and Transfeminism |

Queer and Trans Studies Specialization
CHLX 410 | Latinx Gender and Sexualities |
QTST 320 | Queer and Trans California |
QTST 370 | Coloring Queer: Imagining Communities |

Total Units 60

1. Must be taken for three units. This is a letter graded internship.

Electives Requirement
To complete the total units required for the bachelor's degree, select additional elective courses from the total University offerings. You should consult with an advisor regarding the selection of courses which will
provide breadth to your University experience and possibly apply to a
supportive second major or minor.

**Honors in the Major**

Honors in the Major is a program of independent work in your major. It
requires six units of honors coursework completed over two semesters.

The Honors in the Major program allows you to work closely with a
faculty mentor in your area of interest on an original performance or
research project. This year-long collaboration allows you to work in your
field at a professional level and culminates in a public presentation of
your work. Students sometimes take their projects beyond the University
for submission in professional journals, presentation at conferences,
or academic competition. Such experience is valuable for graduate
school and professional life. Your honors work will be recognized at your
graduation, on your permanent transcripts, and on your diploma. It is
often accompanied by letters of commendation from your mentor in the
department or the department chair.

Some common features of Honors in the Major program are:

- You must take six units of Honors in the Major coursework. All six
  units are honors courses (marked by a suffix of H), and at least three
  of these units are independent study (399H, 499H, 599H) as specified
  by your department. You must complete each course with a minimum
  grade of B.
- You must have completed 9 units of upper-division coursework or 21
  overall units in your major before you can be admitted to Honors in
  the Major. Check the requirements for your major carefully, as there
  may be specific courses that must be included in these units.
- Your cumulative GPA should be at least 3.5 or within the top 5% of
  majors in your department.
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  majors in your department.
- Most students apply for or are invited to participate in Honors in
  the Major during the second semester of their junior year. Then they
  complete the six units of coursework over the two semesters of their
  senior year.
- Your honors work culminates with a public presentation of your
  honors project.

While Honors in the Major is part of the Honors Program, each
derpartment administers its own program. Please contact your major
department or major advisor to apply.

See Bachelor's Degree Requirements (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/
undergraduate-requirements/bachelors-degree-requirements/) for
complete details on general degree requirements. A minimum of 39 units,
including those required for the major, must be upper division.

**General Education Requirements: 48 units**

See General Education (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-
departments/undergraduate-education/general-education/) and
the Class Schedule (http://www.csuchico.edu/schedule/) for the most
current information on General Education Requirements and course
offerings.

Transfer students accepted into this degree completion program
generally will have completed all lower-division General Education
Requirements.

**Diversity Course Requirements: 6 units**

You must complete a minimum of two courses that focus primarily on
cultural diversity. At least one course must be in US Diversity (USD)
and at least one in Global Cultures (GC). See Diversity Requirements
(https://catalog.csuchico.edu/undergraduate-requirements/diversity-
requirements/) for a full list of courses. Most courses taken to satisfy
these requirements may also apply to General Education (https://
catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/undergraduate-education/
general-education/).

Transfer students may have completed their Diversity Requirements
prior to transfer, but this program includes courses that satisfy this
requirement.

**Upper-Division Writing Requirement**

Writing Across the Curriculum (EM 17-009 (http://www.csuchico.edu/
prs/EMs/2017/17-009.shtml)) is a graduation requirement and may
be demonstrated through satisfactory completion of four Writing (W)
courses, two of which are designated by the major department. See Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning and Writing Requirements
(https://catalog.csuchico.edu/undergraduate-requirements/
mathematicsquantitative-reasoning-writing-requirements/) for more
details on the four courses. The first of the major designated Writing (W)
courses is listed below.

WMST 300W Feminist Theory (W)

The second major-designated Writing course is the Graduation Writing
Assessment Requirement (GW) (EO 665 (https://calstate.policystat.com/
policy/9585618/latest/)). Students must earn a C- or higher to
receive GW credit. The GE Written Communication (A2) (https://
catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/undergraduate-education/
general-education/#A2) requirement must be completed before a student
is permitted to register for a GW course.

This degree completion program is designed for students who have
at least 60 units of lower division credit completed and are looking
to finish their college requirements and bachelor's degree. Our 60-
unit program is offered entirely online and can be completed in four
semesters (for students who have completed lower division GE and
American Ideals/Institutions). Students entering with more than 60 units
of applicable transferrable credit may complete sooner. Students will
be part of an annual cohort and take many of their courses together,
as well as having unique program-specific opportunities and events,
thus creating and maintaining a distinct community. However, in most
cases the multicultural and gender studies online degree completion
program cohort will be taking courses alongside on-campus multicultural
and gender studies majors and minors, experiencing an even richer
diversity of peers. Course offerings vary by semester, so you will work
with our program advisors around class scheduling. The 60-unit BA in
multicultural and gender studies will also offer you nine units of upper-
division General Education and a recommended Area of Specialization.
See a multicultural and gender studies advisor to determine if transfer
coursework in related areas of study might count toward degree
requirements.