To be adopted:

PROPOSED CHANGES TO WOMEN’S STUDIES MAJOR

PRESENT:  PROPOSED:

Major  [no change]
The Women’s Studies Department offers a coherent interdisciplinary curriculum with a major field of study in the areas of gender and sexuality. Each student is required to take a total of 13 courses.

At the upper-division level, the department provides concentrations in gender and cultural production, gender and families, sexualities and gender, and gender and work.

Major Requirements  [no change]
The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Women’s Studies are as follows:

1. Lower-division requirements (three courses [at least 12 units])  [no change]
   a) WMST 001  [no change]
   b) One of the following: WMST 010; WMST 020; WMST 030 or WMST 030H  [no change]
   c) One additional lower division WMST course  [no change]

2. Upper-division requirements (ten courses [at least 40 units])  [no change]
   a) WMST 100  a) WMST 100
   b) WMST 191A and WMST 191B  b) WMST 191A and WMST 191B
   e) WMST 195 or WMST 198G  e) WMST 195 or WMST 198G
d) Six courses of electives chosen from the list below with the following distribution requirements:

(1) One course focusing on African American women, Asian American women, Chicanas/Latinas, or Native American women in the United States or on women from societies in Latin America, Asia, the Middle East, or Africa

(2) One course focusing on issues of sexuality, sexual orientation, sexual identification, or masculinity and femininity

(3) The following courses may only be counted one time towards the major: WMST 190, WMST 195, WMST 198G

Elective Course Work

Upper-division Women’s Studies courses or courses in another department that are cross-listed with Women’s Studies.

Closely related upper division courses from other programs or departments may be substituted upon approval.

JUSTIFICATION:

Text in catalog still has WMST 195 and WMST 198G as a requirement and as an elective. The text should be removed under requirements as it is an elective courses.

The department voted unanimously to drop this requirement for the major because there are not enough faculty members to mentor interns properly and because the Dean will no longer give faculty teaching load credit for teaching 198G.

APPROVALS:

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Approved by the faculty Committee of Women’s Studies: June 26, 2013
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