**Feminist Studies**

**Importance of an early start:** This major is not highly sequential or course intensive. Although it is advisable to begin taking courses toward the major in the first year, it is not required.

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:** The feminist studies major does not have qualification requirements or prerequisites for declaring the major, and does not currently limit the number of students it will accept into the program. It is strongly advised that students complete at least one introductory feminist studies course before declaring the major.

**Frosh who intend to pursue this major should do the following things prior to the beginning of fall term:**

- Students should review the major requirements on the Feminist Studies website, and should carefully review the Feminist Studies website overall. A solid understanding of the requirements provides students with an invaluable head start to their college career and to this interdisciplinary major.

**Skills important for success in this major:** Critical reading and thinking skills, analytical research and writing abilities, gender, race, class, and cultural analysis.

**Sample first year plan:**

- **Fall:** FMST 1: *Feminist Studies: An Introduction*, AND Optional: FMST 20: *Feminist and Social Justice*
- **Winter:** FMST 11: *War in Film and Culture*, OR FMST 41: *Trans Gender Bodies*
- **Spring:** FMST 16: *Media Histories*, OR FMST 30: *Feminism and Science*

**Other information:** The major offers four concentrations: Culture, Power, and Representation; Law, Politics, and Social Change; Science, Technology, and Medicine; or Sexual Studies.

**Links to More Information:**

- [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/) (general info)
- [http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/](http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/) (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)
- [http://feministstudies.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/](http://feministstudies.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/) (program website)

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