

The image features a close-up of several rainbow Pride flags waving in the wind. The flags are positioned diagonally across the frame, with the top right corner showing the University of Miami logo. The background is a blurred view of a brick building and some greenery.

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# GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES



## CAREERS IN **GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES**



A major or minor in Gender and Sexuality Studies provides a unique insight into the challenges of social policies and conventions. Our students develop strong critical thinking skills, confident oral presentation abilities, and effective research and writing, in addition to an understanding of the critical need for diversity, equity, and inclusion.

**Career and graduate program pathways for Gender and Sexuality Studies students include:.**

- **Marketing Specialist**
  - **Social Worker**
  - **Journalist**
  - **Nurse-Midwife**
  - **Health Clinic Coordinator**
  - **Epidemiologist**
  - **Physician**
  - **Engineer**
  - **Attorney/Lawyer**
  - **Teacher/Professor**
- **Physicist**
  - **Human Rights Advocate**
  - **Public Relations Manager**
  - **Architect/Engineer**
  - **Chemist**
  - **Legislative Aide**
  - **Sociologist/Anthropologist**
  - **Archivist**
  - **Casting Director**
  - **Crisis Program Coordinator**

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# RESEARCH & INTERNSHIP

## OPPORTUNITIES



## Thesis or Project Option

### GSS STUDENTS LEARN TO

BE  
LEADERS

DEVELOP CRITICAL  
THINKING

EXAMINE THEIR  
OWN IDENTITY

PROMOTE JUSTICE  
AND HUMAN RIGHTS

INVESTIGATE  
SYSTEMS OF POWER



# Explorations of self.

# *Explorations of humanity.*

The University of Miami's Gender and Sexuality Studies (GSS) Program at the College of Arts & Sciences encourages the rigorous investigation of gender as a significant issue in all areas of human experience. It reaches across disciplines to draw on a range of methods, theories, and perspectives that help us to understand how ideas and structures based on gender shape our lives. The program's core objective is to foster the examination, open discussion, and lively debate of gender issues among faculty and students from all fields of study, enriching the undergraduate curriculum and the university's academic mission through greater communication across disciplines and colleges.

In the GSS program, you will explore the ways in which ideas about gender and sexuality shape social roles and identities, as well as the ways in which race, ethnicity, class, and nationhood influence the perception and experience of

gender and sexuality within particular cultures. The curriculum is informed by recent scholarship that recognizes gender and sexuality as crucial components of human experience in social, cultural, economic, political, religious, and legal contexts. It includes courses that introduce students to feminist theory and scholarship, engaging ethical and political issues of equality and justice.

The program encourages students to question their assumptions about the possible meanings of the gender binary of female and male through the study of how different societies and historical periods have viewed sexual diversity and gender relations. Courses in Gender and Sexuality Studies enable students to acquire critical and analytical skills that they can then apply in other aspects of their educational experience at UM and beyond the university in their careers and personal development.

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### Curriculum

The GSS program offers a **B.A. in Gender and Sexuality Studies**, as well as two minors: **Gender and Sexuality Studies** and **LGBTQ Studies**.

Additionally, students from a wide variety of primary majors choose GSS as a second major, including communications, education, political science, sociology, and global health. Several GSS students are also part of the College of Arts & Sciences' pre-law focus or the dual degree program that leads to UM's Law School. GSS majors and minors count towards the **People & Society** area of knowledge.



### Selected Courses

- GSS 201 Intro to Gender and Sexuality Studies
- GSS 202 Intro to LGBTQ Studies
- GSS 301 Feminist Inquiries
- GSS 305 Gender, Race, and Class
- GSS 347 Issues in Reproductive Medicine
- GSS 348 Mental Illness, Gender, and Psychiatry
- GSS 420 Interpreting Bodies
- GSS 469 LGBTI Politics