Sexuality Studies (SXST) Courses

SXST 2101 [0.5 credit]
Sexuality Studies: A Critical Introduction
While sexuality is often considered the most private and 'natural' of personal concerns, it is saturated with issues of social power, historical change, and public politics. This course offers a critical introduction to interdisciplinary studies of sexuality, focusing on history, theory, and cultural practice.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for DIST 2101 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): second-year standing or permission of the Institute.
Lectures and discussion groups three hours a week.

SXST 2102 [0.5 credit]
Sexuality, Gender, and Security
Historical and contemporary analysis of surveillance, security, and regulation of sexuality, race, class, and gender. Students will critically examine how 'subversives' were created through discourse and administrative logics such as policy and law.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as HUMR 2102.
Prerequisite(s): second year standing.
Lectures and discussions three hours a week.

SXST 2301 [0.5 credit]
Human Rights and Sexualities
An examination of human rights discourses, sexualities, and gender identities from an intersectional approach.
Also listed as HRSJ 2301.
Prerequisite(s): second-year standing.
Lectures and discussion groups three hours a week.

SXST 3103 [0.5 credit]
Sexuality and Disability
Exploration of ways that embodied categories of sex and gender, as well as desire are mediated through mainstream and alternative discourses of disability. Topics may include: crip theory, mental health issues, and LGBTQ sexualities.
Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the Institute.
Lecture three hours a week.

SXST 3104 [0.5 credit]
Transnational Sexualities
Students analyze sex, gender and sexuality as power relations within, and between nation-states comprising the Global North and South, as well as new knowledge created through national border crossings. Topics may include: Orientalism, colonialization, and diasporic identities.
Prerequisite(s): third-year standing and SXST 2101.
Lecture three hours a week.

SXST 3106 [0.5 credit]
Queer(ing) Archives
Examination of the archival turn in historical and theoretical perspective with an emphasis on sexuality, race, and gender as subjectivities in queer, trans, and colonial archives.
Also listed as HIST 3102.
Prerequisite(s): third-year standing.
Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 3812 [0.5 credit]
Interdisciplinary Topics in Sexuality Studies
An interdisciplinary analysis of one or more topics in sexuality studies. The topics of this course will vary year to year and are announced in advance of registration.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): Third year standing and SXST 2101 OR permission of the Institute of Women's and Gender Studies.
Lecture three hours per week. This course is repeatable as long as each topic is different.

SXST 4101 [0.5 credit]
Interdisciplinary Studies of Sexuality
A study of selected issues in sexuality studies considered from an interdisciplinary perspective. The course may focus on any one, or combination of, sexuality studies in relation to history, theory, and/or cultural practice.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for DIST 4101 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): SXST 2101 and fourth-year standing.
Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 4102 [0.5 credit]
Queer Theory
A critical approach to gender and sexuality by engaging in key debates and texts in the field of queer theory and studies.
Prerequisite(s): SXST 2101 and fourth-year standing.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as WGST 5102, for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminar three hours a week.
SXST 4103 [0.5 credit]
Politics of Kink
This seminar analyzes critically the existence and
regulation of non-normative sexual attitudes, behaviours
and practices. Topics may include: non-monogamy,
sadomasochism, pornography.
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing.
Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 4104 [0.5 credit]
Sexuality and Political Economy
An interdisciplinary and intersectional approach to
issues in the area of Sexuality Studies focusing on socio-
economic relations (e.g. class location, consumption) and
the ways they mediate sex, gender, and sexual subject
formation and governance. SXST 4101.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): fourth year standing.
Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 4105 [0.5 credit]
Queer Ecologies
Students engage with debates within sexuality studies
and transgender studies regarding the interwoven
relationships between gender, race, indigeneity, desire,
bodies and ecological politics. Topics may include: climate
change, gendered and sexualized landscapes, and
speciesism.
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing or by permission of
the department.
Seminar three hours a week.

SXST 4106 [0.5 credit]
Queer Aesthetics: Affect, Cultural Production,
Sexuality
Critical examination of affective economies made in
and through LGBTQ cultural production. Drawing from
feminist, queer, trans and queer of colour critique, students
will consider how queer affect, sentiment and emotions
uniquely circulate in art and aesthetic objects.
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing or permission of the
Institute.
Seminar three hours a week.