Guidelines for the
Dartmouth Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program
INDEPENDENT STUDY (WGSS 85)
ONE-TERM PROJECT

Deadlines
Summer Term Independent Study: Deadline: 4th week of classes, spring term
Fall Term Independent Study: Deadline: 4th week of classes, spring term
Winter Term Independent Study: Deadline: 4th week of classes, fall term
Spring Term Independent Study: Deadline: 4th week of classes, winter term

Proposals and accompanying materials should be submitted to the WGSS Program Office (2 Carpenter Hall) by the required deadlines.

PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL APPROVAL

1) A draft of your proposal should be shown to your advisor before submitting it to the Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program. Effective proposals are brief and clear (abstracts are 1-2 pages) and should include the following:
2) A clear statement of the topic
3) Mention of the texts you plan to include
4) Your approach: questions you plan to ask; methodology; theoretical framework.
5) The relationship of the topic to the courses you have taken or to your major; what prepares you for this project.
6) Any anticipated conclusions

The Following Additional Materials Must Accompany Proposals:

- Selected annotated bibliography (A list of reading you need to do to address the topic i.e., background reading, criticism, historical sources, etc. (10-15 books and articles)
- Term you plan to take WGSS 85
- Advisor endorsement form (see separate form)
- Course Profile (see separate form)
- NOTE: Topics requiring approval from the Human Subjects office are not appropriate for one-term projects.
- NOTE: WGSS 85 materials may be sent to the Program Coordinator, Cristen Brooks, by e-mail.

The Steering Committee (and/or the Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Chair) will review and comment on the proposal, and bibliography in a timely manner. The Program may ask students to revise and resubmit their proposals if necessary. If you have any questions--please call (6-2722) blitz Cristen Brooks or stop by the office.