A Course of Study for

WOMEN’S STUDIES

The Women’s Studies area of emphasis studies the history, sociology and politics of women in society. The area of emphasis examines the oppression of women throughout history, and also the ways in which women have taken power over their lives. Students will better understand the impact of women and gender on various cultures at various times and evaluate changing social patterns and the effects of institutions and cultural assumptions. The Women’s Studies area of emphasis can lead to a variety of careers including a community organizer, political lobbyist and political strategist. This degree may also prepare the student for further study at the baccalaureate level.

For additional career possibilities, visit the Career Services Center on the main campus to utilize computerized career information systems and other valuable career resources.

PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Transfer Preparation
- Women’s Studies Associate Degree

TRANSFER PREPARATION

Many colleges/universities offer baccalaureate degrees in this field. Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete the lower-division major requirements and the general education pattern for the specific transfer institution. SMC has articulation agreements with the many UC and CSU campuses, as well as several private and out-of-state institutions.

Exact major requirements for UC and CSU campuses can be found online at assist.org.

A listing of private, non-profit California colleges and universities can be found online at aiccuedu. For articulation agreements between SMC and some of these institutions see smc.edu/articulation.
### WOMEN'S STUDIES, ASSOCIATE DEGREE

**Program Learning Outcomes:** Upon completion of the program, students will demonstrate through oral and written work a familiarity with the basic principles from the field of women's studies and feminist theories and be prepared to pursue further study at the baccalaureate level. In addition students will be proficient in the research, analytical, and communication skills necessary to present an analysis of the challenges facing women in the world today and the proposed solutions to these challenges.

#### Required Core Courses: (6 units)
- **WOM ST 10,** Introduction to Women’s Studies (3)
- **WOM ST 80,** Women’s Studies Leadership Practicum (3) *(formerly WOM ST 8)*

#### Related Disciplines; Minimum of one course from each of the following areas, plus 2 additional courses from any area: (18 units)

**AREA 1:** (minimum 3 units)
- **WOM ST 20,** Women, Feminisms, and Social Movements: A Global Approach (3)
- **WOM ST 30,** Women and Popular Culture (3)

**AREA 2:** (minimum 3 units)
- **ANTHRO 14,** Sex, Gender and Culture (3)
- **COM ST 36,** Gender and Communication (3)
- **HIST 52,** The History of Women in American Culture (3)
- **SOCIOL 33,** Sociology of Sex and Gender (3)

**AREA 3:** (minimum 3 units)
- **ANTHRO 2,** Cultural Anthropology (3)
- **PSYCH 25,** Human Sexuality (3)
- **SOCIOL 1,** Introduction to Sociology (3)
- **SOCIOL 12,** Sociology of the Family (3)

**AREA 4:** (minimum 3 units)
- **COM ST 37,** Intercultural Communication (3) *(formerly SPEECH 7)*
- **ENGL 39,** Images of Women in Literature (3)
- **FILM 6,** Women in Film (3)
- **MEDIA 10,** Media, Gender and Race (3) *(formerly COMM 10)*