MEDIA STUDIES

Dual-Titles

DUAL-TITLE M.A. IN MEDIA STUDIES AND WOMEN’S, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY STUDIES

Requirements listed here are in addition to requirements listed in GCAC-208 Dual-Title Graduate Degree Programs (http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-208/gcac-208-dual-title-graduate-degree-programs/).

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students must apply and be admitted to the graduate program in Media Studies and The Graduate School before they can apply for admission to the dual-title degree program. Applicants interested in the dual-title degree program may make their interest known on their applications to Media Studies. After admission to their primary program, students must apply for admission to and meet the admissions requirements of the Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies dual-title program. Refer to the Admission Requirements section of the Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Bulletin page (https://bulletins.psu.edu/graduate/programs/majors/womens-gender-sexuality-studies/).

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for the dual-title degree, students must satisfy the degree requirements of the Media Studies program (thesis option), in which they are primarily enrolled, and of the WGSS dual-title program, listed on the WGSS Bulletin page (https://bulletins.psu.edu/graduate/programs/majors/womens-gender-sexuality-studies/). Within this framework, final course selection is determined by the student and the Media Studies and WGSS advisers. The candidate must complete a thesis and follow the requirements for the thesis option in Media Studies; this includes passing a final oral defense of that thesis on a topic that reflects original research in both Media Studies and WGSS to earn the dual-title M.A. degree. Candidates for the dual-title M.A. degree in Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies must have at least one member of the WGSS Graduate Faculty on their master’s advising committee.