

CENTER FOR WOMEN, GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES



APPLICATION M. A. DEGREE IN WOMEN'S STUDIES



All applicants need to apply to FAU Graduate Studies and to the Center for Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies. You may access the FAU general graduate application at:

<http://www.fau.edu/graduate/applyonline/index.php>

*Once you have submitted that application, you should complete the departmental application.
Thank you.*

Please note that the departmental application consists of the following:

1. The cover page, which includes your name and mailing information
2. A two-page, double-spaced, typed essay addressing your interest in Women's Studies graduate work talent or experience that will contribute to your academic program; and your educational and professional goals.
3. Three letters of recommendation using the form that accompanies this application (at least two letters from professors).
4. The application for a graduate assistantship – if you are interested.

Please return your departmental application form to:

The Center for Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies
Florida Atlantic University SO383
777 Glades Road
Boca Raton, FL 33431

COVER PAGE
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NAME _____ Last First Middle
CURRENT ADDRESS _____ _____
PHONE _____ Daytime Cell
E-MAIL ADDRESS _____
FAX _____

Please tell us how you heard of our program:

Poster _____ Newsletter _____ Website _____ Event _____

Student or faculty member (please give us her or his name) _____

Please do not write in this box.

Date received _____ Acknowledged _____

College major _____ B.A. _____

WGSS _____ UGPA _____ GRE _____

APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP WOMEN'S STUDIES

The Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies Center (WGSS) has a limited number of graduate assistantships available for the most qualified applicants. These assistantships provide, an annual stipend (\$8,000 for Fall & Spring) and 100 percent tuition waiver for nine graduate credits per semester (students are responsible for fees). In order to qualify, a student must be enrolled full-time (nine graduate credits per semester) and available to contribute to the WGSS twenty hours weekly. In most cases, the assistantships are renewable for up to two years. In order to receive a graduate assistantship you must first be admitted into the M.A. program as a degree-seeking student.

During the first year, graduate assistants will work with faculty to learn about the mechanics of teaching, research, and programs in the WGSS. The second year of the assistantship includes supervised responsibility for a lower-division class, either Introduction to Women's Studies or Introduction to Sexuality and Gender Studies. Faculty and assistants will meet often to review pedagogical and research concerns.

You should submit this graduate assistantship application with your WGSS Application. Once we have confirmation of your acceptance into the program, we will evaluate your assistantship application. Please note that applications received after July 1 for the fall semester and December 1 for the spring semester may not be considered for an assistantship.

NAME _____ Last First Middle
E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Why are you applying for a graduate assistantship? Please be specific.

**Recommendation for Admission
Florida Atlantic University
Women's Studies– Master's Program**

Dear Applicant, Please complete the following and present these pages to each of your references.

Name of Applicant: _____

Admission Requested for: _____ Fall _____ Spring

Name of Recommender: _____

Title: _____

Occupation: _____

Address: _____

Applicant Please Note: Under the provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, you (if admitted and enrolled) will have access to the information provided unless you have waived such access. Please sign and date below to inform us of your decision.

I hereby waive my right of access to the information recorded below.

_____ / /
I do not waive my right of access to the information recorded below.

_____ / /

Dear Recommender:

The individual whose name appears above has applied for admission to the Master's degree program in Women's Studies at Florida Atlantic University. The Admissions Committee would be very grateful for your estimate of the applicant's preparation, aptitude, and creativity for independent work at the graduate level. Your comparison of the applicant with other people you have known at similar stages of their academic or professional career would be particularly valuable. Please note that the applicant has signed the statement above concerning confidentiality of this document.

Recommender's signature:

_____ **Date:** _____

Dear Recommender, If you prefer, you may answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper.

1. *How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?*

2. *Please evaluate the applicant on the following matters:*

ISSUE	COMMENT	CANNOT EVALUATE
Scholarly or professional accomplishments		
Intellectual independence		
Capacity for analytical thinking		
Ability to organize and express ideas clearly		
Ability to meet deadlines		
Ability to profit from suggestions and constructive criticism		
Creativity		
Drive		
Motivation		
Scholarly and professional potential		

3. *How do you think the applicant will benefit from a graduate degree in Women's Studies?*

4. *What is your overall recommendation?*

_____ Strongly recommend _____ Recommend _____ Do not recommend

Thank you for completing this reference. Please mail the form, along with any letter or other information you would like us to have, directly to the Center. Thank you.

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