All applicants need to apply to FAU Graduate College and to the Center for Women, Gender 
and Sexuality Studies. You may access the FAU Graduate College application at:
http://www.fau.edu/graduate/applyonline/index.php

Once you have submitted that application, you should complete this Departmental application form 
and submit it to the Center.

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 the departmental application form to:

The Center for Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies
Florida Atlantic University AH110
777 Glades Road
Boca Raton, FL 33431

COVER PAGE

THE CENTER FOR WOMEN, GENDER & SEXUALITY STUDIES
APPLICATION
M.A. DEGREE IN WOMEN’S STUDIES

NAME_________________________________________ ________________________________

Last                                                         First                                   Middle

CURRENT ADDRESS ___________________________________________________________________

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PHONE _______________________________ ________________________________

Daytime Cell

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E-MAIL ADDRESS _____________________________________________________________

Please tell us how you heard of our program:

Poster _____ Newsletter _____ Website _____ Event _____

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

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E-MAIL ADDRESS _____________________________________________________________

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

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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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