

WEST CERTIFICATE IN GLOBAL STUDIES

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- The WEST program approaches the study of global social phenomena as a complex and dynamic product of multiple regional, ethnic, and institutional identities from a transnational perspective. It offers a variety of courses that explore the intersections among gender, race, class, sexuality, identity, sovereignty, citizenship, local and global levels of social interaction, international networks, social movements, and grassroots organizing that allow for social activism and agency of global women and other under-represented populations. For WEST majors, minors, and other students wishing to concentrate in these areas, we offer a certificate of specialization in Global Studies.
- The certificate is marketable to a wide variety of employers and educational institutions, including social work, graduate and professional schools (Globalization Studies, Middle-Eastern Studies, Asian Studies, Indigenous studies, Africana Studies, Latino/a Studies, Immigration Studies), community action organizations (non-profits and NGOs), government agencies and social services. Participation in the certificate program also provides students with opportunities for networking and mentoring within these specializations and more.

Certificate in Global Studies - 12 credits, 9 upper division credits

After completing the pre-requisite WEST 1010 (Introduction to Social Justice Studies: Leadership, Inclusion, and Engagement), students are required to take 12 credits (4 courses) under the WEST prefix. 9 of the 12 credits must be upper division. A minimum grade of C (2.0) is required for each course applied toward the certificate.

To enroll in the certificate program, please meet with the Coordinator to turn in the completed application form. In order to complete the certificate program, students are required to submit a transcript and a five-page, typewritten self-reflective statement evaluating her/his perceptions regarding the knowledge gained in the concentration and implications for future scholarly and professional work. Please submit the statement to the coordinator. The certificate will be mailed to recipients upon completion of a certificate audit by the coordinator and graduation.

Course selection guidelines:

- Independent studies may not be used to earn this certificate.
- All courses must be offered through the WEST program and/or affiliates.

Below is a current list of courses offered:

WEST 3040 Women Around the World
WEST 3140 Women in Classical Antiquity
WEST 3340 The Cuban Diasporic Experience
WEST 3380 Caribbean Literature, History, and Theory
WEST 3400 Sex and Gender in Islam
WEST 3420 North American Indians
WEST 3480 Global Women's Issues
WEST 3560 Women and Aging International: Diversity, Challenges, and Contributions
WEST 3580 Immigrant Histories
WEST 3680 Islam and the West
WEST 4050 From the Harem to the War Zone
WEST 4060 Middle Eastern Women in Film
WEST 4100 Native American Perspectives on Museums
WEST 4410 Topics on Women in the Middle East
WEST 4120 Indigenous Views on Sustainability: All My Relations
WEST 4150 Going Native: British and Spanish Narratives of the Colonized World
WEST 4160 The Transatlantic Slave Trade: A Comparative, Cross-cultural Perspective

WEST 4180 Gender in International Politics
 WEST 4700 Global Feminisms
 WEST 4760 Women's Space, Women's Place: Women's Role in Changing the Face of the Earth
 WEST 4900 Rhetorics of Truth and Reconciliation
 (*course must be approved by Certificate Coordinator)

Additional special topics courses (such as Globalization and Development) may be offered and can be counted toward the certificate. These courses must be approved in advance by the certificate coordinator or the WEST program director.

Students may enroll in the certificate program by completing a brief application available on the website (www.uccs.edu/west), from the coordinator, or at the WEST office (Columbine suite 1025, tel. 719.255.4553).

WEST Certificate in Global Studies

Application

Name _____ Student Number _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Major(s) _____ Minor(s) _____

Certificate Courses Completed

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Course Number	Title	Semester	Grade

Completion of Requirements

(To be completed by the Global Studies Certificate Coordinator)

1. Course requirements met? _____
2. Transcript reviewed and attached? _____
3. Self-Reflective statement reviewed and attached? _____
4. Contact information updated? _____

Certificate Coordinator's Signature/Date: _____