

Academic Year 2022-2023

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# WGS Program End of Year Report

Coastal Carolina University

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# WGS Major and Minor

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## Minor At A Glance

75

TOTAL # OF MINORS

43

# OF NEW MINORS

*As always, thank you to everyone who  
nourished a student's interest in WGS!*

## B.A./B.S. At A Glance

3

# OF FALL  
B.A.  
GRADUATES

8

# OF B.A.  
STUDENTS  
IN SPRING

1

# OF B.S.  
STUDENTS  
IN SPRING

*Increasing our number of majors is one of our  
highest priorities for the Academic Year 23-24.*

# Affiliates and Courses

48

# OF FACULTY  
AFFILIATES

*(no affiliates in the College of Business)*

16

# OF NEW  
AFFILIATES

Starting in fall 23, WGS is implementing a new engagement rule for affiliates to foster community and ensure we have the people power to support our current students adequately and to keep growing our minor and majors.

**3** NEW COURSES OFFERED

**WGST 320: Arts, Activism, & Justice**

**WGST 380: Gender & Political Representation**

**WGST 390: Cultivating Resilience Storycircles, Writing, & Performance**

*WGST 320 is now an option for the core curriculum's Artistic Expression section.*

29

# OF WGST-  
CODED COURSES  
ON THE BOOKS

*A record number!*

41

# OF CLASSES  
COUNTED FOR  
WGS DEGREES

2

# OF SUMMER II  
CLASSES  
OFFERED

*1st time occurrence!*

*WGST 305: Gender and Pop Culture and WGST 105: Intro to LGBTQ Studies, the two courses being offered in Summer II, each have over 10 students enrolled!*

# Events and Outreach

**70**

# of classes visited to promote the program.

**51**

# of students emailed about WGS.

*These students had 2 WGS-related courses on their transcripts.*

**44**

# of students invited to join the major/minor.

*These students all received an A in WGST 103.*

**34**

# OF EVENTS PUT  
ON/CO-SPONSORED

*We have, unfortunately, noticed an odd drop in attendance at our events, which we are monitoring and brainstorming solutions.*

**16**

# OF TRIOTA HONOR  
SOCIETY INDUCTEES

*The students fundraised for the Palmetto State Abortion Fund and supported a WGS capstone project that collected items for CCU's food pantry.*

## WGS WAS A SPONSORING UNIT FOR 2 QEP INITIATIVES:

“Women Empowerment in STEM” created a support network for women in STEM disciplines; and our feminist zine The Rage published powerful student creations which you can check out here. Both projects were renewed for next year, and we are adding a third endeavor, “The Men’s Story Project,” which will focus on healthy masculinities.

We continue experimenting with various outreach methods, including a solid social media presence! Follow us at @WGSCCU.

# Thank you!



Many thanks to our amazing advisory board members: Amanda Masterpaul, Jenn Mokos, Tripti Pillai, Sandrine Schaefer, Chris Donevant-Haines, Chelsea Kaunert, and student reps. Sasha Teague and Emily Boling.

One more giant **THANK YOU** to Amanda Masterpaul for serving as interim director of WGS during the fall 2022 semester when Ina was on sabbatical!



Our goals for the AY 23-24 remain the same as last year: 1) promoting the B.A./B.S. with a concerted focus on possible double-majors, 2) continuing to explore avenues to connect more with our alumnae/i, and 3) increasing research opportunities for our students.

More good news - keep an eye out for new WGS swag for AY 23-24!