

Yes, Women and Gender Studies was approved by Ed. Affairs for the exception to the 45-credit rule. Several departments who offer concentrations also have had approved in the past an exception similar to the one that Women and Gender Studies is seeking (English, History, and Music Management Studies). The exception allows students to not be disadvantaged if they might hold credits from the department prior to pursuing the major, and then learn that they must complete additional work to finish the major once they declare it. Also, the vast majority of courses in WOMS are cross-listed, which means that students are likely to encounter many courses in their general area of interest (including minors and second majors) that may hold the WOMS designation.

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Cynthia and Janet – has CAS approved these from Women and Gender Studies ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) as they are contrary to the CAS policy below:

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BACHELOR OF ARTS

This degree, offered by all departments of the College of Arts and Sciences is awarded to those students who follow a broad course of study and is designed to provide a liberal education. For this degree, students must complete a minimum of 124 credits composed of requirements for general education, college skills and breadth requirements, required courses in a major, and elective courses. A grade of C- is required in all major courses. No more than 45 credits with the same departmental prefix (including cross-listed courses) may be counted toward the total required for the degree.

If so, please provide rationale.

Thanks – Steve

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