Succeed in the workplace

What employers want

The Canadian Council of Chief Executives list the top 6 skills sought by employers as:

1. People skills
2. Communication skills
3. Problem-solving skills
4. Analytical abilities
5. Leadership skills
6. Industry-specific knowledge

Take the time to think about the unique skills you have developed at Queen’s, starting with the skills list here for ideas. Explaining your strengths with compelling examples will be important for applications to employers and further education. For help, check out the Career Services skills workshop.

What can I learn studying GENDER STUDIES?

- Understand differences and the intersections between forms of oppression
- Make connections between gender, race, nation, ability, sexuality and how they are affected by oppression and resistance
- Engage with creative texts, films, performance
- Active rather than passive responses to popular culture
- Analytical skills to form and defend positions with clarity and accuracy in diverse formats
- Critical thinking to recognize and assess the assumptions behind arguments
- Methodology to compare and combine methodologies from the arts, social sciences, and health sciences
- Close reading to carefully interpret primary and secondary sources, examine how they are put together from the smallest elements to the overall structure
- Oral and written communication to write research papers, make group and solo presentations

Degree OPTIONS

Bachelor of Arts (Honours)
Major / Minor
Bachelor of Arts (General)
Certificate in Sexual and Gender Diversity
Internship option available

Queen’s ADMISSION

Students apply to Queen’s Arts (QA) through the OUAC (Ontario Universities Application Centre) website (ouac.on.ca). Secondary School prerequisites include six 4U and 4M courses, including a minimum of three 4U courses, one of which must be ENGU4U. Applicants outside of Ontario may have additional requirements.

A Common START

Students in our Faculty are admitted into Arts, Science or Computing but the focus is on a common first year. Through self-exploration, and while you settle into university life, you have the opportunity to work with our advisors and faculty to discover your real interests and identify opportunities for success. Sometimes that discovery happens fairly quickly, and for other students it takes some work and time before the “ah-ha!” happens – either way your first year at Queen’s will be a great experience.

Course HIGHLIGHTS

- Nigah Bars, #Blackvivomatter, GamerGate—what are the realities behind the hashtags and headlines? Gender, Race and Popular Culture explores what’s happening right now. Histories matter too, examined from many angles. Study LGBTQ+ representation and politics in Introductory or Advanced SXGD courses. Discover how we wear our politics in Introductory or Advanced SXGD courses. Discover how we wear our identities in various contexts.

"Combining arts, social sciences and activism, Gender Studies is a degree program with depth and a critical edge.”
