

# DEPARTMENT OF GENDER, SEXUALITY AND WOMEN'S STUDIES

---

## **Kathleen Ingram, Ph.D.**

Associate professor and chair

## **Elizabeth Canfield, Ph.D.**

Associate professor, associate chair and graduate program director

## **Emily Humberson**

Administrative coordinator

[gsws.vcu.edu](http://gsws.vcu.edu) (<http://gsws.vcu.edu/>)

The Department of Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies is committed to social transformation. Representing a wide range of disciplines, faculty in the department produce and disseminate interdisciplinary feminist knowledge and theories, and view them as vitally connected to community engagement and activism. The department encourages students to understand gender and sexuality as inextricably bound to other forms of difference and to examine how the construction of difference produces and reinforces social, cultural, economic and political inequities.

Students in the department are introduced to new analytical, theoretical and creative frameworks to enable them to understand, critique and transform themselves and the world around them. Through teaching, activism, scholarly and creative production and community engagement, the department provides analytical and critical tools to equip students for careers in a broad range of fields.

The department offers a Bachelor of Arts in Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies, as well as the option to complete the B.A. with a concentration in health, society and social justice. In addition, the department offers a minor in gender, sexuality and women's studies and serves as the administrative home for the interdisciplinary minor in LGBT + and queer studies. At the graduate level, the department offers a post-baccalaureate graduate Certificate in Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies.

- Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/college-humanities-sciences/gender-sexuality-womens-studies/gender-sexuality-womens-studies-ba/>)
- Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in health, society and social justice (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/college-humanities-sciences/gender-sexuality-womens-studies/gender-sexuality-womens-studies-ba-concentration-health-society-social-justice/>)
- Gender, sexuality and women's studies, minor in (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/college-humanities-sciences/gender-sexuality-womens-studies/gender-sexuality-womens-studies-minor/>)
- LGBT+ and queer studies, minor in (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/college-humanities-sciences/gender-sexuality-womens-studies/LGBT+queer-studies-minor/>)