

# LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER AND QUEER STUDIES - MINOR

College of Arts and Sciences  
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## About This Program

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Studies minor allows students to explore sexuality and sexual minorities from a variety of perspectives.

## Contact Information

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## Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
  - In person
- **Location:**
  - Kent Campus
  - Stark Campus

## Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

## Program Requirements

### Minor Requirements

| Code  | Title   | Credit Hours |
|---|---|--------------|
| <b>Minor Requirements</b>                   |   |              |
| LGBT 20020                                  | INTRODUCTION TO LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER AND QUEER STUDIES | 3            |
| LGBT 31138                                  | LGBTQ RESEARCH METHODS (ELR)  | 3            |
| LGBT 40202                                  | QUEER THEORY  | 3            |
| Minor Electives, choose from the following: |   | 9            |
| AS 30798                                    | GENDER AND SEXUALITY RESEARCH FORUM (ELR)                             |              |
| AS 41099                                    | CAPSTONE IN GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES (ELR)                        |              |
| CRIM 36800                                  | LGBTQ POPULATIONS IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM (DIVD)                        |              |
| ENG 21003                                   | INTRODUCTION TO LGBT LITERATURE (DIVD)                                |              |
| ENG 35301                                   | LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER: CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES (DIVD)  |              |

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| HED 32544    | HUMAN SEXUALITY  |
| or HED 47070 | AIDS: ISSUES, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION                 |
| LGBT 30095   | SPECIAL TOPICS IN LGBTQ STUDIES                        |
| LGBT 30120   | LGBTQ RIGHTS AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES                   |
| LGBT 30135   | LGBTQ REPRESENTATIONS IN POPULAR CULTURE               |
| LGBT 30196   | INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION IN LGBTQ STUDIES <sup>1</sup> |
| LGBT 40095   | SPECIAL TOPICS IN LGBTQ STUDIES                        |
| LGBT 40192   | PRACTICUM IN LGBTQ STUDIES (ELR) <sup>2</sup>          |
| LGBT 40201   | TRANSGENDER STUDIES                                    |
| MSSH 20071   | INTRODUCTION TO GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES           |
| MSSH 30171   | THEORIES OF GENDER AND SEXUALITY                       |
| PSYC 40625   | DEVELOPMENT OF GENDER ROLE AND IDENTITY (DIVD)         |
| or SOC 42315 | SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER (DIVD)                             |
| SOC 32565    | SOCIOLOGY OF SEXUALITIES (DIVD)                        |
| THEA 41115   | LGBTQ THEATRE (DIVD)                                   |

**Minimum Total Credit Hours:** 18

- <sup>1</sup> Maximum 3 credit hours of LGBT 30196 may apply toward minor electives.  
<sup>2</sup> Maximum 3 credit hours of LGBT 40192 may apply toward minor electives.

## Graduation Requirements

| Minimum Minor GPA | Minimum Overall GPA |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 2.000             | 2.000               |

- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

## Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Explore modern and historical constructs of gender and sexuality through cultural, biological, legal and social lenses.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of LGBTQ activism across time and place.
3. Analyze the political, social, cultural and economic systems of power and privilege that affect LGBTQ people.
4. Apply queer theory, transgender theory and intersectional theory to a variety of LGBTQ-related laws, policies, current events and issues.
5. Explore the lived experiences of LGBTQ people and the inequalities they face in criminal justice systems, healthcare systems and educational systems.
6. Assess various methodologies used in LGBTQ research and apply queer theoretical concepts to humanities-based research.