



## Graduate Certificate in Sexuality & Queer Studies Program Application

Any matriculating student in a graduate or professional program at the University of Washington is eligible to apply for the Graduate Certificate in Sexuality & Queer Studies program. If you're interested in applying, please review the steps toward successful program completion below prior to submitting your completed application to the GWSS Program Coordinator in-person (PDL B110) or via email ([gwss@uw.edu](mailto:gwss@uw.edu)).

### STEPS TO SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM COMPLETION

#### Admissions

1. Review the certificate requirements outlined in the document below
2. Identify a GWSS core or adjunct faculty member who will advise you throughout the certificate program
3. Complete and submit this program application along with your Curriculum Vita (CV)
  - Once your application has been submitted and reviewed, the certificate program will be added to your MyGrad profile

#### Program Progress

**Please note: a minimum grade of 3.0 is required in each course taken toward the certificate**

4. Complete GWSS 464/564 (5 credits)
5. Complete at least four 400/500 level courses from the list of approved courses (min. 20 credit hours)
  - ✓ At least 15 credits must be from graded courses
  - ✓ Independent study course work does not satisfy this requirement
  - ✓ Courses must be taken for a grade or C/NC, not S/NS
  - ✓ Courses not on the approved courses list must be approved by either your certificate advisor or submission of the [Special Topics Request Form](#)
6. Complete a 1-credit capstone course in which you will either deliver a public capstone presentation or write a 5000-word essay developing a framework that ties together two papers you wrote for any two of your required courses, re-write or re-submit two essays from those courses, and reflect on what you have learned from the graduate certificate and how it has changed/impacted your thinking and/or career goals.
  - To register for the capstone, complete the [Capstone Registration Request form](#) and email it to the GWSS Program Coordinator ([gwss@uw.edu](mailto:gwss@uw.edu)) prior to the start of the quarter

## Program Completion

7. Submit the [Completion of Sexuality & Queer Studies Certificate Requirements form](#) before the last day of the quarter in which you intend to complete the certificate program
- Once your completed form has been received and verified, your certificate will be awarded in MyGrad

## APPLICATION

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate Advisor Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Completion Quarter/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**Statement of Purpose:** What are your reasons for pursuing this certificate? How will the Graduate Certificate in Sexuality and Queer Studies contribute to your career goals?

**After reviewing the information above, please sign to indicate that you have read the requirements.**

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Include a copy of your C.V. with this form.**