

# WGS 211 : Introduction to LGBTQ Studies

This course introduces Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Studies. Students will uncover the history of modern, western ideas about sexuality and sexual and gender identity through a wide variety of texts and images across a range of disciplines and methodologies. Sexuality and gender will be considered not as “natural” or consistent phenomena, but as sets of cultural beliefs that have changed over time, manifesting themselves differently in varied cultural and historical contexts. Students will also discuss controversies in the contemporary period while being tolerant and respectful of differing viewpoints.

**Liberal Education Core**

Humanities

**Semester Offered**

Offered spring of even numbered years