

**Nebraska Wesleyan University**

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## **HIST 137 History of Women in the United States**

3 hours

**Majors, Minors & Degrees:**

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Gender Studies (B.A., B.S.)

History (B.A., B.S.)

**Departments/Programs:**

History

Introduction to the experiences of women in the United States from colonization to the present, with an examination of cultural meanings attached to gender; various social inequalities in access to institutions, activities, and resources; and women's status, well being, and power in American society. The course investigates the lives of women from various social, ethnic, and racial groups, analyzing the ways that they affected one another. The course emphasizes sexuality, reproduction, and maternity, and also covers politics, law, work, education, and other issues in women's lives.