



Master's Degree in
Women's and Gender
Studies

Syllabus

Description

GEMMA Erasmus Mundus Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies - is a postgraduate programme that consists of two years of study (120 ECTS) at two chosen centres out of the seven prestigious European universities that participate in the Consortium.

The **Home University** is the university where you start the programme and complete the first year of study, while the **Mobility University** is the university where you complete the compulsory mobility semester in the second year of study (and in some cases the fourth semester as well). When applying to GEMMA, you can choose a combination of any two of the seven European universities, except Granada-Oviedo or Oviedo- Granada (please see the "Mobility combinations" section below for more details).



Structure

The programme is divided into four semesters as follows:

- **1st YEAR 60 ECTS**
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 - 30 ECTS
 - Core modules, taken at the Home University and organised around the same three modules at all consortium universities (Feminist History; Feminist Theory; Feminist Methodology)
 - 2nd semester
 - 30 ECTS
 - Elective courses taken at the Home University
- **2nd year 60 ECTS**
 - 3rd semester
 - 30 ECTS
 - Elective courses taken at the Mobility University (mandatory

- mobility period)
 - 4th semester
 - 30 ECTS
 - Master's thesis at either the Home or the Mobility University

Languages

The languages of instruction used by the Consortium universities are:

- **Granada:** Spanish (first year: Home), English and Spanish (second year: Mobility)
- **Oviedo:** Spanish (first year: Home), English (second year: Mobility)
- **Bologna:** Italian and English
- **CEU, York, Lodz and Utrecht:** English

The course offer is à-la-carte: broad, interdisciplinary and constantly updated to reflect the current developments in Gender Studies. All partners cover the widest range of gender disciplines; thus, the offer is totally complementary with singular distinctive elements marking the unique specialisation in some specific gender fields at each partner: Human and Social Sciences and Health Sciences at the University of Granada, Gender and Literature in Bologna, Feminist Theories, Gender and Sexuality, Masculinities, Violence and Contemporary Culture in York, Cultural Studies and Ethnicity in Utrecht, Postcolonial Studies in Oviedo, Post-state socialism at CEU and Visual Culture in Lodz.

The course list may be subject to slight changes annually

- [GEMMA course list and detailed information about the courses offered in Granada.](#)
- [GEMMA course list and detailed information about the courses offered in York.](#)
- [GEMMA course list and detailed information about the courses offered in Utrecht](#)
- [GEMMA course list and detailed information about the courses offered in Bologna.](#)
- [GEMMA course list and detailed information about the courses offered in Lodz.](#)
- [GEMMA course list and detailed information about the courses offered in Oviedo.](#)
- [GEMMA course list and detailed information about the courses offered in CEU.](#)

More information about practicalities at the GEMMA universities and about the countries where the institutions are located can be found in the [GEMMA Handbook \(pdf\)](#).

Summer Schools

The Consortium universities organize summer schools which are offered to GEMMA students. The University of Utrecht coordinates [Noise Summer School](#), in which most GEMMA institutions participate; while Granada, CEU and Bologna have also offered

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their own gender summer schools since 2006.

[More information regarding Summer School](#)

Supervised Research Period (Master's Thesis)

Master's thesis: 4th semester (30 ECTS). In this module students are expected to write a 20,000 to 30,000 word dissertation, relevant to the area of Women's and Gender Studies. This research project must provide a new insight into the subject, be clearly formulated, and be supported by a theoretical framework and valid conclusions confronted with former theories.

The thesis can be completed either at the Home or at the Mobility University (with the exception of Utrecht, where a full year mobility will be required for EM scholarship holders) according to the student's choice and research interests. It is jointly supervised by the faculty of both institutions in order to ensure its academic quality, fuller support to the student and recognition from the Home and the Mobility institution. It can be written in any of the three official languages of instruction.

[More information regarding the Master's Thesis \(pdf\)](#)