



Gender & Sexuality Studies

Stonehill students in the Gender Studies major will learn the critical thinking and analytical skills necessary to enter the job market or pursue graduate study in a variety of fields, including Women's Studies, Sociology, English and History.

Gender & Sexuality Studies is an interdisciplinary field that draws from the social sciences and humanities in order to examine how and why gender matters in our lives and in our world. Unlike similar programs elsewhere, where institutional dogma might muzzle debate, Stonehill is welcoming to those who bring diverse opinions and viewpoints to the discussion.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Places where Stonehill students can intern:

- American Cancer Association
- A New Day/Health Imperatives health services center
- Battered Women's Resources Inc.
- Boston Herald
- Brockton Family & Community Resources
- Collegiate Entrepreneurs
- GateHouse Media
- Green Education Foundation
- Human Rights Campaign
- Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women
- Massachusetts Department of Social Services
- MCI-Framingham, a medium security correctional facility for female offenders
- Multiservice Eating Disorders Assoc.
- New Hope Inc., working to end domestic and sexual violence
- Old Colony YMCA
- Patriot Ledger
- Plymouth County District Attorney's Office
- Project Have Hope, a nonprofit to empower women in Uganda
- Silverberg Casting
- United Way

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Stonehill Undergraduate Research Experience

All majors are required to complete an internship or a directed study, which is under the guidance of and in collaboration with an experienced faculty researcher.

Recent directed study projects

Alana Melendez '13 worked with Wanjiru Mbure, assistant professor of Communication, and Stacy Grooters, assistant professor of English, on "Examining the Effects of Discussion Groups for Women of Color at Predominantly White Institutions."

Ashley Trebisacci '13 worked with George Piggford, associate professor of English, and Christopher Wetzel, associate professor of Sociology & Criminology, on "Sexual Orientation and the Nondiscrimination Policy at Stonehill College."

HONORS SOCIETY AFFILIATION

Lambda Epsilon Sigma

Stonehill's campuswide honor society

GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL STUDIES

Places where Stonehill graduates have recently attended a full- or part-time graduate program include:

- American University
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Northeastern University
- San Diego State University
- Suffolk University (J.D.)
- Tufts University
- University of Maine (J.D.)

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CAREER OUTCOMES

Places where Stonehill graduates have recently been employed include:

- City Year
- Dana Farber Cancer Institute
- Granite Communication
- Hartford Symphony Orchestra
- Internal Revenue Service
- Massachusetts Department of Health and Human Services
- NETC: Educational Travel
- Teach for America
- W.B. Mason
- Wheaton College: Center for Global Education
- Various school systems

CAREER SERVICES RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

General

- The Office of Career Services offers extensive assistance to students seeking employment, pursuing advanced studies or participating in postgraduate service opportunities. By completing internships and utilizing mentors, students are empowered to build lifelong career management skills.

Gender & Sexuality Studies-specific

- Extensive on-campus recruiting program for internships and entry-level jobs.
- Annual career fairs and graduate school information sessions.
- Externships and internships in New York; Washington, D.C.; and Los Angeles (weeklong and semesterlong programs).

“Every single staff member that I’ve met in the department has been so accepting and encouraging of ideas, and they want you to succeed. In Gender & Sexuality Studies it’s like ‘What are your ideas and plans? OK, let’s make them happen.’”

Alexandra Kirwin '15

Double major in Gender & Sexuality Studies and Psychology

Stonehill at a Glance

Founded by the Congregation of Holy Cross, Stonehill College values integrity, tradition and the rewards that come when you pair rigorous academics with world-class faculty committed to their students' success. Our nationally recognized experiential learning programs and focus on service shape graduates into compassionate leaders and global thinkers.

- 2,400 full-time students (62% female, 38% male).
- 93% of students live on campus.
- 164 full-time faculty (100% of classes taught by professors).
- 12:1 student/faculty ratio (average class size: 19 students).
- Tuition: \$37,426.
Room and board: \$14,290.
- 86% retention rate.

- 94% of enrolled students receive financial assistance. Average freshman award, including scholarships, grants, federal student loans and work study, is \$25,451.
- \$37 million in merit scholarships and need-based grants was funded by Stonehill in 2013-2014.
- 85% of the Class of 2014 completed an internship-related experience while at Stonehill.



- Ranked in the top 10% nationally for opportunities abroad, Stonehill offers internships, study and service travel programs around the globe.
- 91% of students participate in internships, study abroad, research practicum or fieldwork.
- 47% of students from the Class of 2014 had jobs at graduation (national average: 30%).