What can I do with my Major?

WOMEN’S, GENDER & SEXUALITY STUDIES

UCONN DEPARTMENT:
Women’s, Gender & Sexuality Studies
To learn more about this major check out the department website or schedule a meeting with an academic advisor.

NATURE OF WORK
According to the National Women’s Studies Association, Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies “draws on the feminist scholarship of U.S. and Third World women of color, women’s studies has made the conceptual claims and theoretical practices of intersectionality, which examines how categories of identity (e.g., sexuality, race, class, gender, age, ability, etc.) and structures of inequality are mutually constituted and must continually be understood in relationship to one another, and transnationalism, which focuses on cultures, structures and relationships that are formed as a result of the flows of people and resources across geopolitical borders, foundations of the discipline.” This intersectionality, in addition to academic training in diversity, communication and interpersonal skills prepares WGSS graduates for a variety of career industries including education, social services, human rights, government, nonprofit, policy, and business sectors. For WGSS majors, gaining relevant experience though internships, co-ops, volunteering, leadership and research experiences and connecting these experiences to the academic courses you are studying is key to

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
American Business Women’s Association
Feminist Majority Foundation
Federally Employed Women
National Organization for Women
9 to 5, National Association of Working Women
American Association of University Women
Institute for Women’s Policy Research
National Women’s Studies Association

A liberal arts and sciences education develops critical thinking, written and oral communication, versatility and problem solving skills, which are valuable in any career and will help students adapt to an ever-changing world.