

## **Women's and Gender Studies Book Award (WMGS awards)**

The Women's and Gender Studies Program (WMGS) will make three \$100 book awards annually to eligible WMGS students (e.g., WMGS major or double major, WMGS minor, and GLBTQ Studies minor). The awards are available to:

- A current WMGS major or WMGS minor with the highest overall grade point average as of the preceding fall semester.
- A GLQS minor with the highest overall grade point average as of the preceding fall semester.
- A current WMGS major, WMGS minor or GLQS minor who shows the most promise as a feminist or GLBTQ activist (e.g. working with women in a transitional housing shelter, staffing a rape-crisis hotline, volunteering at a GLBTQ youth organization, organizing a rally on a key WMGS issue, etc).

The awards will be given in the spring semester for the forthcoming fall semester; the awards will be in the form of MSU bookstore credit (to purchase only books).

### **Application Materials & Selection Criteria:**

Students will need to submit the following to be considered for the awards:

1. A completed application form (indicating name, major, minor, GPA—see attached)
2. List of campus and community activities related to WMGS major, WMGS minor, and/or GLQS minor
3. A personal essay that includes information on commitment to the chosen course of study and career goals (500 words in length)

An ad-hoc scholarship committee, comprised of three WMGS faculty (with at least one being from the GLBTQ Studies affiliated faculty), will review the materials submitted by student applicants for the three awards.

The Women's and Gender Studies program will advertise the book awards on the WMGS list-serve, through announcements in WMGS and GLQS classes, and by posting the information on the WMGS webpage and in hard copy on the WMGS bulletin boards in Dickson Hall.

**Application deadline:** Application materials should be submitted to the WMGS office, DI-120, no later than 5pm on April 25. The winners will be announced no later than the final day of classes for spring semester.

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**Women's and Gender Studies Book Awards—Application form**

Please complete this form and submit it to the Women's and Gender Studies Program Office (DI-120) no later than 5pm on April 25. Thank you.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_  
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Email\_\_\_\_\_

Student ID number\_\_\_\_\_

Major\_\_\_\_\_

Minor (if applicable)\_\_\_\_\_

GPA\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any campus and/or community activities (volunteer or paid) related to your studies in Women's and Gender Studies (including GLBTQ Studies); be sure to include any leadership positions and length of involvement with the organization or agency. Include information on conference presentations, publications, etc.

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\*please use additional sheets as needed.

Please list your relevant employment history (including internships through the MSU Co-op Office)\_\_\_\_\_

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\*please use additional sheets as needed.

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Provide a personal essay that includes information on your commitment to your chosen course of study and career goals. If you are applying for the book award for promising feminist or GLBTQ Studies activist, please include a description of the importance of your activism to your career and personal goals. (500 words in length). Please use an additional sheet if necessary.

**Submit your completed form to the Women's and Gender Studies Program Office (Di-120) no later than 5pm on April 25. Thank you.**