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## Women Studies: Major teaches diversity

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women studies next year. Schmidt said she likes women studies classes because they deal with topics such as racism and homosexuality.

"A lot of schools miss the boat about women and minorities," she said. "Most textbooks focus on white men."

Haynes said students who major in women studies will be required to take at least 30 credit hours in the department. The program will keep the classes that are offered and add a class about gender and science. The major will have an interdisciplinary focus and continue to offer many classes cross-listed with other departments. Haynes believes a major in women studies will enhance WSU by teaching students diversity and preparing them to work with people with diverse backgrounds.

"Women studies classes look at diversity in terms of gender, class, race, disability, age, sexuality and ethnicity," she said. "It is one of the premiere departments that gives people the opportunity to study, reflect and write about these issues."

Students who graduate with a major in women studies can work in all levels of government and corporate or private business, Haynes said. They may also double major to become teachers or journalists, or work in public relations, health care clinics or women's shelters.

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Human Sexuality as an elective because she was interested in learning the facts about sex.

"It makes you feel more open and comfortable about sex and lets you know what's normal," Anderson said.

She said she hopes the class will make her open in talking to her children about sex.

Human Sexuality focuses more on what goes along with sex than the physical act or instructions on how to have sex.

"It helps you understand what is myth and what is factual," Weber said, "It helps you communicate with your partner about your sexual needs. When you have children it helps you explain their development to them."

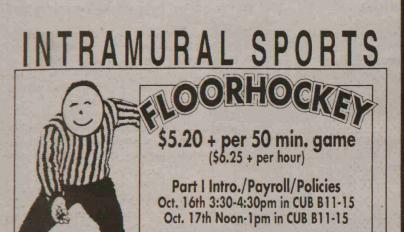
Information about human sexuality is important, Stam said, because the class "makes you more familiar about how to have a better sex life and others' wants and needs."

Instructor Billie Jo Davis pointed out that many parents do not openly talk about the birds and the bees.

"My family never talked about sex and a lot of other families don't as well," Davis said.

Human Sexuality provides first-hand information and knowledge that students may never have been taught before. Accurate sexual information in the home often is not given out to children and sexual education in schools is lacking, Hernandez said.

"Sex education in high school is on procreation and doesn't discuss how to respond to unwanted sexual advances and consequences for teen pregnancy or unprotected sex," Hernandez said.



### ASWSU Ski Team

Meetings Tuesdays @ 6pm, CUB 110, starting Sept. 24th. No experience necessary. Both men and women racers needed.

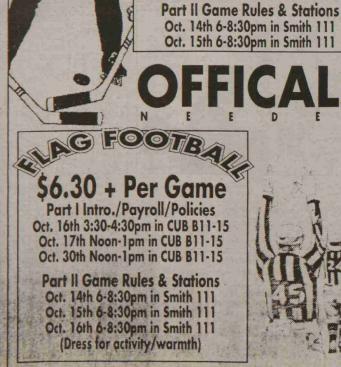
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ASWSU Outdoor Rec. Center & Compton Union Gallery Present: OUTDOOR PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT Oct. 7-26 10am-3pm also open Sat. Oct. 19 & 26.

Washington State Lobby Introductory Meeting Tues. Oct. 15 CUB 3rd floor lobby 7pm. Come learn how you can fight for student interests in WA state!







Discord & Harmony Alumni - Student Leadership Colloquium: October 25. Registration Deadline Oct. 23. Pick up Applications in Student Leadership Center CUB 328.

10/14	Activities	Calendar	10/15
6pm MEChA - Monday Night Football @ Butch's Den		11am Coffeehouse Mtg CUB B-27 12pm Ray Rosch - Mall 5:30pm ETF Mtg 5:30pm Films Mtg 3rd FI CUB 5:30pm GLBA Mtg 6:00pm WISL Mtg CUB 232 6:30pm Entertainment Mtg 7:30 Ray Rosch - Butch's Den Orchestra Concert	