



Faculty of Liberal Arts
& Professional Studies



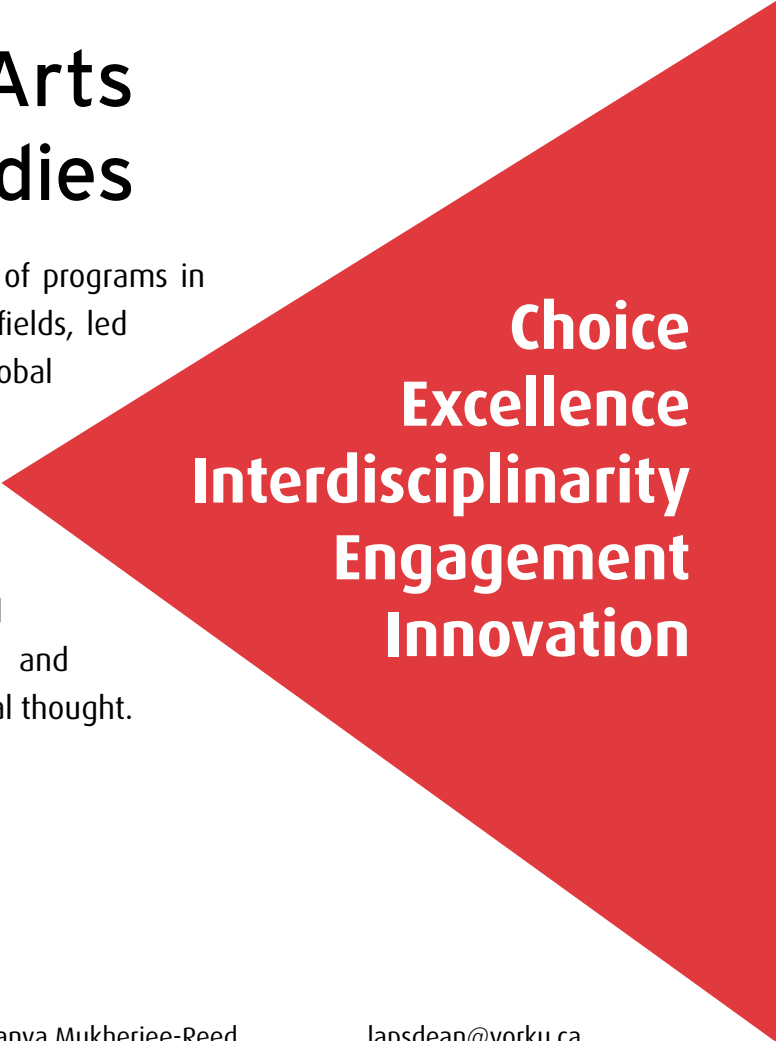
York University

Founded in 1959, York University is one of Canada’s most socially responsive and engaged universities. The third largest in the country, with more than 50,000 students, 7,000 faculty members and staff, and 300,000 alumni, York is a dynamic and diverse community committed to academic excellence.

Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

York’s largest Faculty is home to a rich diversity of programs in the social sciences, humanities and professional fields, led by award-winning faculty whose research has global impact.

By making the liberal arts a critical foundation for all learning, we have created a seamless interconnection between liberal and professional education, between scholarship and practice, and between active citizenship and critical thought.



**Choice
Excellence
Interdisciplinarity
Engagement
Innovation**

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Connect With The Dean

As the largest liberal arts Faculty in Canada, we offer an education that thinks big and dreams even bigger. Our scholars lead ground-breaking, award-winning research that responds to the most pressing needs of society. We proudly deliver world-class programs in the social sciences, humanities, and professional fields.

An enduring commitment to social justice is a hallmark of our Faculty and justice, more broadly, is a guiding imperative for all our work. We animate a collaborative spirit in all members of our community, encouraging our students to reach beyond themselves: to build and foster institutions, communities, associations and businesses that unleash the power of the cooperative, democratic, inclusive dimension of the human spirit.

During their time with us, our students develop an invaluable capacity to engage — engage in productive ways with their peers and mentors, to work together and create marvels that are currently impossible to imagine.

We have cultivated deep and profound connections with community and university partners, at home and abroad. Our local and international connections, partnerships, projects and exchanges continue to grow as we become more community-engaged citizens of the world.

I look forward to building new connections with you.

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International
3,000
Students

From
111
Countries

2,000+
COURSES

23,000+
STUDENTS

110,000
ALUMNI

90+
Undergraduate Degree
and Certificate Programs

Undergraduate degrees:

- BA** Bachelor of Arts
- BAS** Bachelor of Administrative Studies
- iBA** International Bachelor of Arts
- BDEM** Bachelor of Disaster & Emergency Management
- BHRM** Bachelor of Human Resource Management
- BSW** Bachelor of Social Work

23
Master's and Doctoral
Degree Programs

Graduate degrees:

- MA & PhD**
- Master of Disaster & Emergency Management **MADEM**
- Master of Financial Accountability **MFAc**
- Master of Human Resource Management **MHRM**
- Master of Public Policy, Administration & Law **MPPAL**
- Master of Social Work **MSW**

York World Scholars

**50 International
students of
exceptional
merit.**

For the first time, we will be welcoming fifty of the highest achieving students from around the globe to our newest initiative, the York World Scholars program. Students admitted to the World Scholars program will combine two distinct academic subjects and will graduate with a double-major degree in four years.

Each World Scholar will receive one-on-one mentoring and continuous guidance through their educational odyssey at York - from the start of classes until graduation.

As the most diverse city in the world, Toronto will offer students an unparalleled exposure to global perspectives. Our merging of disciplines and opportunities to fuse academics with real-world experiences will give them a highly rewarding education.

As a hallmark of the York tradition, our World Scholars will acquire a strong commitment to social justice, the courage to ask questions, and the ability to find solutions. As World Scholars, these graduates will be poised for brilliant careers or for advanced study. Either way, they will be leaders of the future.

Select scholarships are available from \$2,000 - \$20,000.

For the inaugural session of the York World Scholars initiative, these double-major combinations are available:

- Cognitive Science and Information Technology
- Development Studies and Geography
- Economics and Political Science
- English and Professional Writing
- Financial and Business Economics
- History and Political Science
- Human Rights & Equity and Anthropology
- Sociology/Geography and Urban Studies

Find out more online at laps.yorku.ca/programs-courses/york-world-scholars/

Our Research.

A Proud Tradition of Critically Engaged Scholarship

Research in LA&PS is diverse, progressive and global in scope. It spans the full breadth of the humanities and social sciences and a wide array of professional programs. With our collaborative, interdisciplinary approach and international focus, researchers in LA&PS work within and across Faculties — with colleagues in more than 80 countries around the world — to examine and discover, to critique and create.

From big data to environmental justice, from critical political economy to corporate governance, from computational linguistics to inequality, from activism to epistemology, and a wide range of critical analyses of class, gender, sexuality, age and ability – researchers in our Faculty are engaged in every area of inquiry. A broad range of academic work also focuses on culture and creativity, its power as a means of expression and an avenue for creative problem solving.

Our Faculty proudly hosts Royal Society Fellows, Killam Professors, Humboldt Fellows, Fulbright Scholars, Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Medalists, Trudeau Fellows, Governor General Award winners, Canada Research Chairs and Distinguished Research Professors, Banting Fellows and many other distinguished researchers.

Our 1500 students in our masters and doctoral programs are at the heart of our research and scholarship. They are the recipients of top awards in the country and go on to become leaders in their field of choice.

Affiliated Research Centers

- York Center for Asian Research
- Center for Refugee Studies
- Center for Feminist Research
- The City Institute at York University
- Global Labour Research Centre

From BA to PhD, our Faculty inspires students to combine disciplines, interdisciplinary programs, professional expertise and language proficiency in ways that suit both their interests and their career aspirations.

This a small sampling of our degree programs.

Interdisciplinary Programs

- Business & Society | BA
- Cognitive Science | BA
- Communication Studies | BA
- Communication & Culture | **MA, PhD**
- Creative Writing | BA
- Criminology | BA
- Disaster & Emergency Management | BDEM, **MDEM**
- Global Political Studies | BA
- Gender & Women's Studies | BA, **MA, PhD**
- Health and Society | BA
- Human Rights & Equity Studies | BA
- Humanities | BA
- Development Studies | BA, **MA**
- Interdisciplinary Social Science | BA
- Law & Society | BA
- Urban Studies | BA
- Social & Political Thought | **MA, PhD**

Professional Programs

- Administrative Studies | BAS
- Information Technology | BA, **MA**
- Master of Financial Accountability | **MFAC**
- Social Work | BSW, **MSW**

Discipline-based Programs

- Anthropology | BA, **MA, PhD**
- Economics | BA, **MA, PhD**
- English | BA, **MA, PhD**
- Geography | BA, **MA, PhD**
- History | BA, **MA, PhD**
- Linguistics | BA
- Linguistics & Applied Linguistics | **MA, PhD**
- Philosophy | BA, **MA, PhD**
- Political Science | BA, **MA, PhD**
- Sociology | BA, **MA, PhD**

Language-based Majors

- German Studies
- Italian Studies
- Portuguese & Luso-Brazilian Studies
- Spanish

For a more complete list of programs, see last page

Administrative Studies**BAS, BAS-ITEC**

offers streams in Accounting, Business Research, Emergency Management, Finance, Management, Management Science, Marketing, Information Technology Auditing and Assurance, E-Commerce Development Stream and other areas. Ours is one of the largest undergraduate business programs in Canada, offering a 90-credit Bachelor of Administrative Studies (BAS) and a 120-credit Specialized Honours BAS.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/adms

Anthropology**BA, MA, PhD**

is a dynamic program known for its diverse range of specializations. It has a well-established reputation for critical scholarship, advanced theory, and engagement in local and global contemporary issues. The program offers specializations in Gender, Health & the Body; Power, Politics, & Development; Studies in Culture and Performance; and Nature, Science & Religion. A minor in Medical Anthropology is also offered, as is a Field School in Greece.

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Business Economics**BA**

is a comprehensive program that integrates aspects of economics and business studies, focusing on management problems in practical business fields. It offers students critical insight into topics such as the international issues facing businesses in the changing global marketplace.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/buec

Business & Society**BA**

teaches students to understand and transform the various ways that business influences society, and society influences business. Courses that provide the economic tools to study and research business are

combined with courses that focus on the political, social and cultural context of business. Streams of study include: The Firm and Organization; The Global Economy; The Social Economy; Law and Governance; The Environment; and Business Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/buso

Classical Studies & Classics**BA**

uses ancient texts, documents and works of art to explore the richness of two civilizations that have largely shaped the Western intellectual tradition. Classical Studies looks at the history and culture of Greece and Rome while Classics focuses on the Greek and Latin languages.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/clst

Cognitive Science**BA**

is the scientific study of the mind and its processes. This program is especially exciting for its interdisciplinary intersections, involving psychologists, philosophers, computer scientists, neuroscientists, anthropologists, biologists, and linguists. Students may focus on a number of different areas including Artificial Intelligence, Linguistic Development, Comparative Cognition, Philosophical Psychology, and Human-Computer Interaction.

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Communication Studies**BA**

places emphasis on conceptual and critical-skills development rather than on technical and applied training. Students will master the ability to clearly and effectively communicate and understand the increasingly complex field of communications. Graduates go on to careers in a wide range of media and policy-related fields or further graduate studies in media, culture, law or public policy.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/comm

Communication & Culture**MA & PhD**

is unique in Ontario, combining academic and professional development and offers students the opportunity to examine the social, political, and economic dimensions of issues that include globalization, deregulation, privacy and security, convergence of communication industries, cross-cultural communications and new media.

> cmct.gradstudies.yorku.ca/

Creative Writing**BA**

emphasizes literary writing rather than formula writing and acquaints students with the forms and styles of writing that authors — past and present — have explored in their works. Specialization in one or two genres, such as fiction and poetry, is encouraged as students begin to write in an expanding environment of literary and linguistic knowledge.

Applications are accepted only after the completion of two years of university-level study, with a minimum of 54 credits completed.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/crwr

Culture & Expression**BA**

develops critical thinking and creativity while exploring ways of understanding culture as an expression that animates human imagination and life. Studies show that students who develop their creative and analytic skills are better trained to view familiar problems from a fresh perspective. Such skills are invaluable for any career and prepare students to work in cultural industries, business and education, advertising, marketing and any profession that requires creative thinking.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/cult

Development Studies**BA, MA**

offers students a rigorous interdisciplinary curriculum from a critical social science perspective. The program combines theoretical-academic learning with practical research proficiencies and place-based knowledge about the Global South. Students are actively encouraged to use their own field research and hands-on experience in the Global South to re-examine the theories and ideas discussed in the classroom.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/idst

Disaster & Emergency Management**BDEM, MDEM**

offers the conceptual, analytical, and practical tools necessary to prepare for a rewarding career in this rapidly growing field. The Master's program is one of only two in Canada. Intended for those with experience in the field, the program helps to develop the knowledge and leadership skills needed by mid- to senior-level emergency managers.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/bdem

Economics**BA, MA, PhD**

is ranked among the top programs in Canada, with strengths in Econometrics, Industrial Organization, International Money and Finance, International Trade, and Applied Economic Theory. Our location in Toronto helps students establish networks with many firms and institutions in Canada's largest commercial and financial centre. The annual recruiting session for PhD's is also held in Toronto, where our graduate PhD students have found academic positions in universities worldwide.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/econ

English**BA, MA, PhD**

has an enviable reputation for adventurous, interdisciplinary and innovative approaches to literature. Its tradition has always been to challenge the idea of tradition itself, to seek out the limits of established ideas and to attend to new ones. Available specializations include American, British, Canadian and Postcolonial Literatures and Canada's first Graduate Diploma in World Literature.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/en

English & Professional Writing**BA**

highlights and enhances the relationship between the two fields of study in a systematic way. We emphasize close connections between critical reading, writing and analytical thinking — giving students the skills today's employers demand.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/enpr

Financial & Business Economics**BA**

combines a rigorous quantitative and analytical approach with practical application for students interested in understanding the workings of financial markets, such as the stock market and financing of companies. Students gain a broad understanding of the economic framework upon which financial theory is based. Students also develop a solid knowledge of the microeconomic principles underlying financial markets, the macroeconomic role of finance and the quantitative tools used for analyzing financial markets.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/fbec

Gender & Women's Studies**BA, MA, PhD**

offers challenging, interdisciplinary courses that analyze constructions and intersections of gender, race, class, age, ability and sexuality in daily life, popular culture, the arts, the sciences, politics, society and the economy. Graduates apply their understanding of women's issues and gender analyses in a wide range of fields, including the arts, education, law, social work, public service, NGO's, business, government and media.

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Global Political Studies**BA**

invites students to specialize in international or global politics by combining courses in two fields — international relations and comparative world politics. Examine today's critical issues such as: what are the roots of international terrorism; what does the Arab Spring mean for global relations; how does world trade affect the balance of rich and poor nations?

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Health & Society**BA**

critically analyzes biomedical models and practices, to understand the complexity of health policy, to see ways in which globalizing economies shape both illness and health care, and to appreciate the role played by social forces and cultural change in shaping individual well-being. This unique program draws upon concepts and tools from many social scientific disciplines to explore the ways in which social conditions influence health and how health concerns shape social relations and institutions.

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History**BA, MA, PhD**

is distinguished by a vibrant intellectual climate embracing a wide range of geographical and thematic areas of historical research. These include: cultural history; comparative, global and transnational history; migration and ethnicity; women, gender, and sexualities; politics, law and the state; sciences, health and environments; and social and economic history. The Graduate Program offers MA and PhD programs that are both rigorous and lively, not only engaged with traditional areas of scholarship but also with newer innovations in historical research.

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Humanities**BA, MA, PhD**

is unique in Canada for our interdisciplinary approach to diverse cultures — from classical antiquity to today's digital universe, and from Asia to Europe to the Americas. One of the oldest areas of study, the humanities focus on human cultures, their multiple forms of expression, and their philosophical, religious, moral, political, scientific and aesthetic values.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/huma

Human Resources Management**BHRM, MHRM, PhD**

responds directly to a growing demand for certified HR professionals, by helping students to acquire specialized training in all aspects of HR management. Our interdisciplinary approach develops the research, analytical and management skills that will help students to become successful HR professionals, able to deal effectively with a variety of employee and organizational issues. Our dynamic program draws on a broad range of areas such as business, economics, psychology and sociology and can lead to certification as a Certified Human Resources Professional (CHRP).

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/hrm

Human Rights & Equity Studies**BA**

focuses on the full range of human rights and equity issues — children's rights, women's rights, language rights, the rights of persons with disabilities and persons facing discrimination, economic and political rights, and the rights of working people. Our program is concerned with freedom of speech and with cultural freedoms including; surveillance and suppression of speech; unequal access to education and basic health rights; coerced labour and denial of economic security, and atrocities of enslavement, and; military occupation and war. Students explore the roots of these problems and the diverse forms of resistance to them.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/hreq

Information Technology**BA, BAS**

recognizes the importance of combining technical and non-technical aspects, responding directly to real-world needs and directions in industry. It focuses on areas such as: communications; the health industry; management; marketing; professional writing, and; technology and society. Students in the Information Technology stream of our Bachelor of Administrative Studies (BAS) program will pursue specializations in Business Systems Analysis, E-Commerce Development, and Information Technology Auditing & Assurance.

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Interdisciplinary Social Science**BA**

examines the interaction between the political, social, cultural and economic aspects of society. Students gain a solid and critical grounding in research methods and theories, build analytic skills and prepare to make sense of the social complexities within our society so that they can contribute to change.

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Linguistics and Applied Linguistics**BA, MA, PhD**

examines the universal principles of human language, applying these principles to provide systematic descriptions of individual languages. Our program focuses on core aspects of linguistics (phonetics, phonology, morphology and syntax), as well as sociolinguistics, linguistic variation and change, discourse analysis, psycholinguistics, language acquisition and semantics. Students also explore the acquisition of first and second languages, as well as the relationship between language and the mind, and language and society.

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Medical Anthropology**Undergraduate Minor**

enables students to gain an anthropological perspective on health and illness processes, and the socio-cultural factors that shape them. They can explore cross-cultural and biomedical systems of healing, while examining HIV/AIDS, alcohol & addiction, mental health, global health, food and nutrition, complimentary and alternative medicine, reproduction, and disability. Critical-thinking skills in the analysis and interpretation of biomedical knowledge is highly valued by employers. A Minor in this program can be combined with almost any degree specialization to create a unique combination.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/medanth

Philosophy**BA, MA, PhD**

blends contemporary and historical perspectives while drawing inspiration from widely separated philosophical approaches. The graduate program offers specialization in ethics, political philosophy and philosophy of law; the Philosophy of cognitive science, mind and language; the history of 19th and 20th century philosophy; and the philosophy of science and epistemology. Two graduate diplomas in Value Theory & Applied Ethics and Health Services & Policy Research are also available.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/phil

Political Science**BA, MA, PhD**

is a living, stimulating, dynamic field of study. It takes Politics not only to be about the exercise of power; but much more about holding power accountable, about exercising democratic rights and active citizenship. With an impeccable reputation for critical approaches to the discipline, the program offers particular strengths in political economy, international relations, women and politics and political theory. It also offers a Specialized Honours in Global Political Studies.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/pols

Professional Writing**BA**

combines studies of the historical and theoretical analysis of written expression with the development of practical expertise in creating, managing, coordinating and presenting written information in a constructive and dynamic fashion. In every sphere of life and work, clear and effective written communication of ideas and information, knowledge and opinion is essential. Students join a community of dynamic individuals who share a passion for writing and choose from three specialization streams: Book Production, Periodical (writing and publishing non-fiction), or Institutional Communications (writing in and for business).

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Sexuality Studies**BA**

explores sexuality in transnational and global contexts in relation to ability, age, class, gender, ethnicity, race, religion and other categories of difference, identity and power. Students learn from professors with international reputations for outstanding work in the field of sexuality studies that include AIDS/HIV, birth control and contraception, abortion, sex work, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender rights, sexual health and sexual violence in a transnational context. Our program helps connect a large and vibrant community that is producing new ways of thinking about sex, gender and sexuality.

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Social & Political Thought**MA, PhD**

offers a highly independent, self-styled pattern of study. Using a truly interdisciplinary approach, this program aims to integrate intellectual interests common to the humanities and social sciences. Students are encouraged to become creative scholars and teachers and to work independently. Founded in 1973, our graduate program in Social & Political Thought is the leading doctoral program of its kind in Canada, founded in 1973.

> spth.gradstudies.yorku.ca

Socio-Legal Studies**MA, PhD**

builds on York's long tradition of teaching and research in law and society. The one-year MA program includes courses in socio-legal theory and methods as well as a required major research paper. The PhD program is at the vanguard of postgraduate programs in Europe and North America in interdisciplinary legal studies. Our PhD is the first such doctoral program in Canada that is based outside of a law school and consists of scholars drawn from law and society, criminology, political science, sociology, psychology, history, communication studies, women's studies, and law.

> slst.gradstudies.yorku.ca

Sociology**BA, MA, PhD**

offers its students a sociology of engagement; a critical approach to scholarship that challenges assumptions, and in so doing, aims for greater social justice and an appreciation that history – our own and that of others around the world – has a lasting impact on the present. Specializations in Global Sociology, Cultural and Political Sociology, Social Inequality, Theory, and Methods are available.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/sosc

Undeclared Major**BA**

allows students to begin their first year of university study without having to commit to a specific program in which to major. They have the flexibility to investigate disciplines, pursue various areas of interest, explore options and develop their strengths and academic skills without the pressure to immediately decide on a specialization. Once 24 credits are completed, students then choose their major.

> yorku.ca/laps/programs/unma

Urban Studies**BA**

investigates one of the most fundamental of human institutions, the city. Throughout history, cities have been sites of innovation in economic, political and cultural life – centres of trade, seats of empire and the locale of scientific, social and artistic creativity. Cities retain these roles today and are home to a growing majority of the world's population, but with issues of complex social diversity, striking contrasts of wealth and poverty, and an array of planning and environmental dilemmas. This interdisciplinary program allows students to explore the contemporary challenges of urban development with a global perspective.

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Programs at a Glance

Graduate Degree Programs	Degree
Communication & Culture	MA & PhD
Development Studies	MA
Disaster & Emergency Management	MA
Economics	MA & PhD
English	MA & PhD
Études françaises	MA
Financial Accountability	MFAc
Gender, Feminist & Women's Studies	MA & PhD
Geography	MA, MSc & PhD
History	MA & PhD
Humanities	MA & PhD
Human Resources Management	MHRM & PhD
Information Systems & Technology	MA
Interdisciplinary Studies	MA
Linguistics & Applied Linguistics	MA & PhD
Philosophy	MA & PhD
Political Science	MA & PhD
Public Policy, Administration & Law	MPPAL
Social & Political Thought	MA & PhD
Social Anthropology	MA & PhD
Social Work	MSW & PhD
Socio-Legal Studies	MA & PhD
Sociology	MA & PhD

Certificates
Anti-racist Research & Practice
Gender & Women's Studies
Law & Society
Accounting
Emergency Management
Financial Planning
Geographical Information Systems & Remote Sensing
Health Services Financial Management
Human Resources Management
Investment Management

Language Proficiency Certificates
Chinese
French (basic, advanced or intermediate)
German
Italian
Japanese
Modern Greek
Modern Hebrew
Portuguese
Russian
Spanish

Undergraduate Programs	Degree	iBA
Administrative Studies	BAS	
African Studies	BA	
Anthropology	BA	•
Business (Honours Minor)		
Business Economics	BA	
Business & Society	BA	
Canadian Studies	BA	
Children's Studies	BA	
Classical Studies	BA	
Classics	BA	
Cognitive Science	BA	
Communication Studies	BA	•
Creative Writing	BA	
Criminology	BA	
Culture & Expression	BA	
Disaster & Emergency Management	BDEM	
East Asian Studies	BA	
Economics	BA	
English	BA	
English & Professional Writing	BA	
European Studies	BA	•
Financial & Business Economics	BA	
French Studies	BA	•
Gender & Women's Studies	BA	
Geography	BA	•
Geography & Urban Studies	BA	
German Studies	BA	•
Global Political Studies	BA	
Health & Society	BA	
Hellenic Studies	BA	
History	BA	•
Humanities	BA	•
Human Resources Management	BHRM	
Human Rights & Equity Studies	BA	
Individualized Studies	BA	
Information Technology	BA	
Information Technology	BAS	
Interdisciplinary Social Science	BA	
International Development Studies	BA	
Italian Studies	BA	•
Japanese Studies (Honours Minor)		
Jewish Studies	BA	
Latin American & Caribbean Studies	BA	
Law & Society	BA	
Linguistics	BA	
Marketing (Honours Minor)		
Medical Anthropology (Honours Minor)		
Multicultural & Indigenous Studies	BA	
Philosophy	BA	
Political Science	BA	•
Portuguese & Luso-Brazilian Studies	BA	
Public Administration	BPA	
Religious Studies	BA	
Sexuality Studies	BA	•
Social Work	BSW	
Sociology	BA	
Spanish	BA	
United States Studies	BA	
Urban Studies	BA	•
Work & Labour Studies	BA	