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[ OPEN YOUR MIND ]
FACULTY OF LIBERAL ARTS AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES
DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

From politicians to storytellers, entrepreneurs to educators and leaders in research – as a York University graduate, you become part of a wide network of outstanding alumni.

Hon. Navdeep Bains
BCom, Commerce
Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, Member of Canadian Parliament

Margot Franssen
BA, Philosophy
Co-Founder, The Body Shop Officer, Order of Canada

Matt Galloway
BA, English
Honorary Doctor of Laws
Metro Morning Host, CBC Television

Hon. Ahmed Hussen
BA, History
Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, Member of Canadian Parliament

Dina Pugliese
BA, Sociology and Communication Studies
Co-Host of Breakfast Television, City

OPEN YOUR MIND
and see where your Liberal Arts and Professional Studies degree can take you. York University will introduce you to new ways of thinking and help you to see the endless opportunities your degree can offer, expected and otherwise.

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WELCOME TO YORK

Welcome to our unique Faculty and our exceptional range of programs that will surely open up exciting new pathways for you.

Our professors are leading academics committed to your success. In your classrooms and beyond, you will be immersed in a stimulating process of acquiring knowledge and undertaking research. Soon after, you will find fascinating opportunities to apply your learning in real-life contexts. Some of you will go on an international exchange, take up a placement, or establish your own organization before you graduate. I see our students climb new heights every day. You will too.

York offers you numerous opportunities to complement your studies. You can join a club, volunteer or participate in events. We make every effort to ensure that our graduates are complete individuals: armed with keen analytical abilities, the capacity to engage different audiences, cultural sensitivity, creativity, ethics, compassion and much more.

I invite you to join our community of 21,000 students and a stellar network of more than 130,000 alumni who have made their mark in every walk of life. They all started one day at York, just like you.

I eagerly look forward to seeing you on campus.

Professor Ananya Mukherjee-Reed
Dean
We question. We challenge. We discover.
Fueled by the expertise of our renowned faculty members and fanned by the imaginations of our students, our programs spark the critical learning process!

All York students are encouraged to submit research projects and present them at the annual Undergraduate Research Fair on campus. The research projects that go on to win prizes are celebrated at the Research Leaders Gala with the very best work of York University professors.

Our Students are actively engaged in research activities in a variety of communities and organizations including:

- The Centre for Refugee Studies
- The Global Labour Research Centre
- The Institute for Social Research
- The Centre for Feminist Research
- The Centre for Research on Language and Culture Contact
- The Harriet Tubman Institute for Research on Africa and its Diasporas
- The Kids Brain Health Network

DEAN’S AWARD FOR RESEARCH EXCELLENCE (DARE)

This Award connects students with our faculty members to assist with ongoing research projects. Students develop their research skills while also contributing to meaningful scholarly inquiries occurring on campus.

“I love that my program provides first-hand research experience. I get to examine conflicts in Africa and see the issues as an insider while exploring solutions in my field of interest.”

Aibakyt Baekova
Student
BA, Global Political Studies
Undergraduate Research Assistant with Dr. Annie Bunting, York University

“There are a lot of research hubs at York. In my program, I was able to engage in undergraduate research which was very exciting.”

Christopher-Michael Flynn
Student
BA, Work and Labour Studies
Undergraduate Research Assistant with Dr. Carla Lipsig-Mummé, York University

– QS World University Rankings, 2018
ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

90+
Undergraduate Degree and Certificate Programs:
Explore your passion

1,300+
Courses:
Mix and match to find your fit

38
22 Master’s and 16 Doctoral Degree Programs:
Achieve your true potential

$15 Million+
Federal Funding:
For faculty research

1,500+
Students Participating in Research Projects at York:
Hands-on experience

650+
Full-time Faculty Members:
Learn from the best

“York University has countless opportunities for students to develop beyond the classroom. Whether it’s experiential learning or student organizations, they truly set York students apart from other graduates.”

Marlon Gulluscì
Student
BA, Geography and Urban Studies
Facility Maintenance Operator, Region of Peel
Marlon served as the President and CEO of the Founders College Student Council.
RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES
At York, research is a way of life. It is diverse, progressive and global in scope.

Our professors and faculty members integrate innovative teaching and actively engage students in the learning process.

Explore research sector opportunities on ADHD, Artificial Intelligence, climate change, police-youth mental health, refugee studies, robots and human interaction, and many more. Research in our faculty touches every area of inquiry.

Our professors receive many distinctions for their research including:

- Canada Research Chairs and York Research Chairs
- Distinguished Research Professors
- Early Career Researcher Award recipients
- Fellows of the Royal Society of Canada
- Fulbright Scholars
- Governor General Award winners
- Humboldt Fellows
- Killam Prize Researchers
- Molson Prize winners
- President’s Research Excellence Award recipients
- Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Medalists
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Impact Award winners
- Steacie Medalists
- Trudeau Fellows
- 3M winners

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES
See the difference experience makes.

We offer many practical experiences inside and outside the classroom. These experiential education opportunities include internships, placement courses, community-based learning, community-based research projects and innovative teaching.

You will meet and work with potential employers and colleagues while gaining hands-on experiences that prepare you for your post-university career.

We are proud to partner with organizations such as:

- City of Toronto
- J. Addison School
- Ontario Power Generation Inc.
- Ontario Ministry of Indigenous Affairs
- Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General
- TD Canada Trust
- The Shepherd Group
- Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)

“My most memorable experience at York University was being part of the internship program. Being exposed to a working environment gave me the opportunity to use theories I learned in the classroom and apply them.”

Denise Bang
BHRM, Human Resource Management ’17
Co-op Program Manager, CGI Group Inc.

Our graduates gain the academic background and real-life experiences needed to succeed everywhere in the world today.
DEGREE OPTIONS

You can choose from two degree options. You can pursue an honours degree (120 credits) or you can opt for a general degree (90 credits).

An honours degree gives you the most comprehensive undergraduate experience. As an honours student, you can add a second major or a minor, go on an international exchange or work in an internship. However, should you choose the general degree option, our programs are an excellent foundation to meet your future goals.
DISCOVER THE POSSIBILITIES

**Major**
Your primary area of study. It usually requires you to complete 48 credits or more in a specific subject.

**Minor**
A secondary area of study. You are required to complete 30 credits in a specific subject in addition to a Major.

**Double Major**
A double major consists of one bachelor’s degree with two full undergraduate areas of study. A student who pursues a double major completes all degree requirements in two separate programs. With strategic planning, a double major can be completed in the same time frame as a single major and at no additional cost.

**Certificates**
You can obtain a certificate in a language, a professional area or in a specialized subject to complement your degree.

“Diversify your academic profile. Explore options to double major, major-minor or add a professional certificate to your degree. Some of the interdisciplinary programs introduce you to areas of interest you might not have been aware of. Explore these and boost your résumé!”

*Tanika McLeod*
BA, Criminology (major) and Political Science (minor) ’17
Public Administration and Law Certificate
MA Candidate, Socio-Legal Studies
Founder and Editor-in-Chief, Criminological Studies Review Initiative
Research and Teaching Assistant, York University

**DEGREE TYPES**

- **BA**
  Bachelor of Arts

- **BCOM**
  Bachelor of Commerce

- **BDEM**
  Bachelor of Disaster and Emergency Management

- **BHRM**
  Bachelor of Human Resource Management

- **BPA**
  Bachelor of Public Administration

- **BSW**
  Bachelor of Social Work

- **iBA**
  International Bachelor of Arts

These degrees can be taken as Honours, Specialized Honours or General programs.

(Specialized Honours programs require additional courses in a specific subject area.)
**CHOOSE PROGRAMS**

Explore your options. Bridge disciplines.
Study what you love and learn what you need.

Choose your major from our list of programs below. You can combine it with another major or minor.
Some students also add a certificate to their degree. Many of our programs offer evening, weekend and online courses that are flexible to your schedule.

### Legend:
- **S** Specialized
- **DM** Double Major
- **M** Single Major
- **Mn** Minor
- **Int** Internship
- **Plac** Placement
- **Prac** Practicum

#### Specialized Program

- **Major**
- **Electives**
  - **Specialized Honours Degree**
  - 120 Credits

#### Double Major Program

- **Major**
- **Major**
- **Electives**
  - **Honours Degree**
  - 120 Credits

#### Major with Minor Program

- **Major**
- **Minor**
- **Electives**
  - **Honours Degree**
  - 120 Credits

#### Single Major Program

- **Major**
- **Electives**
  - **General/Honours Degree**
  - 90/120 Credits

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*These reflect overall high school averages. Due to our competitive admissions process, an average in these estimated ranges does not guarantee admission. Grade 11, 3U and/or 3M level courses may be required as prerequisites. However only six 4U and/or 4M level courses will be used in the calculation of the admission average.
GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

Our graduates gain the academic background and real-life experiences needed to succeed everywhere in the world today.
THE INTERNATIONAL BA (iBA)
Our iBA program lets you explore the world while earning your degree. The international experience gives you skills that stand out in today’s global workplace.

With the iBA, you will learn a new language and complete one study term abroad while earning credits for your York degree. Study in countries such as Austria, Barbados, Cape Town, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Portugal, Singapore, Thailand, and many more!

“I went on a global internship to Stockholm, Sweden, and an academic exchange to Beijing, China. These were both incredible experiences that helped broaden my perspective, and ignite my passion for global citizenship.”

Ghazal Haidary
BA, Sociology ’17
MA Candidate, Sociology
Intern, Minister’s Office, Ontario Ministry of Labour

“My exchange trip to Tokyo, Japan has truly made me become a better version of myself. By learning more about the Japanese culture and language, I have made so many new friends and have received numerous job opportunities.”

Zachary Gouveia
Student
BCom, Commerce, Specialized Honours in Finance

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
Integrate an international element into your degree with the International Study Abroad Award up to $1,500.

York students can go on an academic exchange at one of York’s 120+ international partner institutions, in more than 40 countries while earning credits towards their degree.

Our global internships are 90-day summer placements at one of York’s 40+ organizations in 25 different countries.

Our students can enroll at another university abroad with a letter of permission while earning credits that can be transferred toward their York degree.

Other opportunities include presenting research papers at international conferences.

For more information on international opportunities, visit laps.yorku.ca/about/international
WE SUPPORT YOUR SUCCESS:

STUDENT LIFE AT YORK
Student life at York

Our campuses are vibrant and teeming with life. Connect with classmates, join a club or sports team, get involved and build a network that will last long after graduation. With over 45,000 undergraduate and almost 6,000 graduate students, you’ll always find someone who shares your interests and something memorable to do.

Network of services

Once you have connected with other students and your college community, you will want to take advantage of the many resources York offers. Participate in workshops on exam prep and time management, get one-on-one academic advising, or make use of our counselling and development services.

As a student, you’ll have access to University-wide resources as well as Faculty-specific services including:

- Academic Advising Services
- English as a Second Language (ESL)
  Open Learning Centre
- The Writing Centre

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We believe there is a leader in every individual. Our goal is to nurture the leader in you.

Students appreciate the transformative quality of our leadership experiences and the advantage it gives them in pursuing their careers. You can volunteer on campus or with a local organization, join student government, lead a new student initiative, or participate in a research project.

“My experience at York has been fantastic. We are offered opportunities to achieve academic excellence while developing leadership skills. The myriad opportunities of varying magnitude provide us with the necessary skills for the ‘world of work’ after graduation.”

Antonnia Kiana Blake
BA, Criminology and Human Rights and Equity Studies ’18
Undergraduate Research Assistant with Dr. Julie Dowsett, York University
Antonnia Kiana served as the President and Chair of the Student Council of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, and a Senator with York University Senate.

“York University offers a unique sense of belonging and community where once you step into the community and get involved, you realized how much support you have. Being involved was my recipe for success.”

Alamgir Khandwala
BCom, Commerce ’17
Staff Accountant, Deloitte Canada
Alamgir served as the Vice-Chair of the Student Council of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, and a Senator with York University Senate.
York University and the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies provide a variety of awards, scholarships and bursaries to support you.

For complete details including a list of all scholarships, eligibility criteria, application procedures and deadlines, visit sfs.yorku.ca/scholarships
AWARDS AVAILABLE

to students of the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies

$6,800 (over 4 years) Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies Entrance Award
Awarded to four students with a minimum admission average of 85%.

$4,000 Arthur Francis Williams Entrance Award
Awarded to a student with a minimum admission average of 85%, who has completed at least one 4U/M course (or equivalent) in Canadian or World Studies programs.

$3,000 Computer Science, Computer Engineering and Information Technology Scholarship
Awarded to three students with a minimum admission average of 75%, entering a computer science or information technology program.

$2,400 Randal Dooley Memorial Entrance Bursary
Awarded to two students from a high school in the Jane-Finch community.

$2,000 George and Catherine Fallis Entrance Award
Awarded to a student who presents a minimum 85% admission average.

$1,300 Malcolm Streete Bursary
Awarded to a student entering a social science program from Oakwood Collegiate Institute or a high school in the Jane-Finch or Regent Park communities.

AWARDS AVAILABLE

to all students of York University

$32,000 (over 4 years) Governors’ Awards of Distinction: John Proctor Scholarship
Awarded to a student with a minimum admission average of 90%, accomplishments in community service, leadership, the arts, or sports.

$30,000 (over 4 years) Avie Bennett Award
Awarded to a Brampton student with a minimum 75% average.

$24,000 (over 4 years) York University Awards of Achievement
Awarded to six students with an admission average of 85% or higher who have contributed to their school or community.

$21,600 (over 4 years) York University President’s Scholarship
Awarded automatically to 18 students who present the highest admission average in each faculty.

$16,000 (over 4 years) Chancellor Cory Entrance Scholarship
Awarded to a student with a minimum admission average of 90%.

“Scholarships have helped me significantly and allowed me to continue pursuing my postsecondary education.”

Talisha Ramsaroop
BA, Sociology ’14
MA, Sociology ’16
Community Projects Coordinator, York University
Our students are engaging in practical experiences in the community, in the workplace, in the classroom and abroad.

You will have access to:

- **320+ workshops** on career exploration, job search and professional etiquette
- **500 networking opportunities** with employers, educators and alumni during industry-related panels, recruitment sessions and career fairs
- **10,000 employment opportunities** on and off campus
- **6,000 employers** who recruit from York University

Our students often collaborate with community partners and contribute meaningful work that moves organizations and businesses towards their goals.

York University can assist you in attaining your career goals. There are various support systems available for you to be job-ready when you graduate. We help connect you with alumni, professors, employers, and professionals through different career fairs, recruitment sessions, webinars, and networking events.

There are multiple workshops during the year to help students transition into the workplace. These workshops include building a résumé and cover letter, creating a professional LinkedIn profile, attending self-assessment appointments, seminars and much more.

"Working as an intern was very rewarding. It expanded my network and allowed me to gain valuable work experience."

**Adil Hamid**  
BHRM, Human Resource Management '17  
Project Control Officer, CGI Group Inc.
PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS
BUSINESS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Business and Society (BA)
The Business and Society program focuses on teaching students to understand the various ways that business influences society, and society influences business. Courses that provide 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.

Career paths include: business manager, public sector professional, business professional, non-governmental organization worker.

Business Economics (BA)
The Business Economics program integrates aspects of economics and business studies, focusing on economic problems in practical business fields. It offers students critical insight into topics such as the international issues facing businesses in the changing global marketplace.

Career paths include: banker, financial analyst, strategic planner.

Commerce (BCom)
The Commerce program offers streams in Accounting (CPA accredited), Business Research, Emergency Management, Finance, Human Resource Management, Management, Management Science, Marketing, Information Technology Auditing and Assurance, E-Commerce Development and other areas. Ours is one of the largest undergraduate business programs in Canada, offering both a 90-credit and 120-credit Bachelor of Commerce.

Career paths include: professional accountant, human resources advisor, logistics and supply chain manager, investment and financial analyst, marketing and sales manager, chief financial officer.

Disaster and Emergency Management (BDEM)
The Disaster and Emergency Management program offers the conceptual, analytical, and practical tools necessary to prepare for a rewarding career in this exciting field. Students gain the academic and technical skills necessary to aid in the prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery from regional and global disasters and emergencies.

Career paths include: business continuity planner, disaster recovery coordinator, emergency manager, public safety and security manager.

Economics (BA)
The Economics program 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.

Career paths include: economist, market analyst, policy advisor.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed my four years at York. Through my program and extra-curricular activities, I have developed strong leadership skills and the ability to think critically.”

Daniel Audisho
BCom, Commerce ’17
Consulting Analyst, Accenture

“This program allowed me to gain a tremendous amount of knowledge in the field of Economics while also developing my communication, writing and presentation skills.”

Fatima Betty Niane
BA, Economics ’17
Inmate Appeal Case Management Officer, Ministry of the Attorney General

Top 10 in Canada for Accounting, Finance and Economics.
- QS World University Rankings, 2018
Financial and Business Economics (BA)

The Financial and Business Economics program 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 the financing of companies. Students gain a broad understanding of the economic frameworks 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.

Career paths include: consultant, corporate financial manager, investment banker, venture capitalist.

Human Resource Management (BHRM)

The Human Resource (HR) Management program responds directly to a growing demand for certified HR professionals, by helping students acquire specialized training in all aspects of HR management. Our interdisciplinary approach develops the research, analytical, and management skills that will help students become successful HR professionals who are 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).

Career paths include: HR professional, corporate trainer, compensation analyst, recruitment and selection professional, industrial relations professional.

Information Technology (BA, BCom)

The Information Technology program recognizes the importance of combining technical and non-technical components, in order to respond directly to real-world needs and directions in industry. Students focus 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 Commerce (BCom-ITEC) program will pursue specializations in Business Systems Analysis, E-Commerce Development, and Information Technology Auditing and Assurance.

Career paths include: IT project manager and consultant, application developer, systems analyst, designer.

“I gained leadership, team management, budgeting, networking, and negotiating skills as a student and through my extra curricular work with the Information Technology Student Association. These are valuable skills and I use them in my work.”

Gaurav Sharma
BA, Information Technology ’17
Brand Ambassador, Toronto Blockchain
Community Lab Advisor, The Blockchain Hub

HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY AND HUMANITIES

Children, Childhood and Youth (BA)

The Children, Childhood and Youth program explores the experiences and representations of children and youth throughout history from various global cultures. The program focuses on children’s rights and children’s cultures while understanding how children and youth make sense of the world.

Career paths include: children’s rights advocate, teacher, international development worker, social worker.

History (BA, iBA)

The History program is distinguished by a vibrant intellectual climate embracing a wide range of geographical and thematic areas of historical research. These include: cultural; comparative, global and transnational; migration and ethnicity; women, gender, and sexualities; politics, law and the state; sciences, health and environments; and political, social and economic history.

Career paths include: educator, journalist, lawyer, librarian, museum curator.
“When I came to York, I was looking for answers as to who I was as a Métis person. My professors walked me through this journey of self-discovery, and York helped make me the person and scholar I am today.”

Jesse Thistle  
**BA, History ’15**  
**MA, History ’16**  
**PhD Candidate, History**  
**Resident Scholar of Indigenous Homelessness, Canadian Observatory on Homelessness**

**Humanities (BA, iBA)**  
The Humanities program is unique in Canada for its 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.  
**Career paths include:** advertising executive, communications manager, intelligence analyst, educator, lawyer, journalist.

**Jewish Studies (BA)**  
The Jewish Studies program explores Jewish texts, thought, belief, history, cultures, sociologies, languages and fine arts from biblical times to the present. Jewish Studies provides a model for exploring some of the larger humanistic philosophical questions affecting us all.  
**Career paths include:** educator, social worker, community service worker, non-governmental organization worker, diplomat.

**Philosophy (BA)**  
The Philosophy program blends contemporary and historical perspectives, while drawing inspiration from diverse philosophical approaches. Explore life’s deepest questions concerning the nature of happiness, the requirements of justice, the limits of knowledge, and the meaning of freedom. You’ll discover how to develop answers to these questions and how to engage in argument with alternative points of view.  
**Career paths include:** administrator, diplomat, educator, lawyer.

**Religious Studies (BA)**  
The Religious Studies program considers religious experiences to be indispensable to the understanding of human behaviour and thought. Learn to identify and comprehend different forms of religious experience and examine the history, development and role of religion in today’s multicultural and secular world. Concentrate your studies on one religious tradition or take a comparative approach.  
**Career paths include:** lawyer, educator, counsellor, historian.

**Undeclared Major (BA)**  
The Undeclared Major 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 decide on a specialization immediately. Once 24 credits are completed, students must then choose their major.

**LANGUAGES, CULTURE AND WRITING**  

**Classical Studies/Classics (BA)**  
The Classical Studies/Classics program uses ancient texts, documents and archaeological materials including works of art to explore the richness of two civilizations – Greece and Rome – 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.  
**Career paths include:** archivist, author, archaeologist, cultural consultant, historian, lawyer, librarian, linguist, magazine writer, media correspondent, museum curator, professor, researcher.

Top 10 in Canada for Philosophy and Modern Languages.  
— QS World University Rankings, 2018
Creative Writing (BA)
The Creative Writing program emphasizes literary 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 48 credits completed. Career paths include: editor, novelist, poet, screenwriter.

Culture and Expression (BA)
The Culture and Expression program 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 analytical 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. Career paths include: cultural policy analyst, curator, communications specialist, educator.

East Asian Studies (BA)
The East Asian Studies program looks at China, Japan and Korea as ancient civilizations and modern societies of immense global significance. Bridging East Asia's modern milieu and its rich history, you will gain an appreciation for the cultural, the political economic and social impact of these nations. Expect to be challenged and engaged while acquiring an in-depth understanding of the region. Career paths include: Foreign Service officer, international development worker, language educator, translator.

English (BA)
The English program has a 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 Post-colonial. Career paths include: editor, writer, public relations officer, media specialist.

English and Professional Writing (BA)
The English and Professional Writing program 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. Career paths include: advertising and marketing professional, corporate communications specialist, technical writer.

“"My professors in English and Creative Writing saw me as a student and as an active, creative and critical thinker who could contribute meaningfully to academic life and work.”

John Nyman
BA, English and Creative Writing '12
MA, Cultural Studies and Critical Theory '13
PhD Candidate, Theory and Criticism
Associate Editor, Hamilton Arts & Letters

European Studies (BA, iBA)
The European Studies program takes you through Europe's evolution from the Middle Ages to today. Choose a broad European education or focus on a specific country. To fully understand Europe, you'll take one course in a European language and have the opportunity to study abroad. Career paths include: educator, public relations officer, researcher, human resources specialist.

French Studies (BA, iBA)
The French Studies program focuses on improving your oral and written proficiency in the French language and develop the critical-thinking skills that Canadian and international employers seek. Explore the francophone world and the diversity of its art, cultures and societies. Major in French Studies or combine your program with a vast array of choices, including the Bachelor of Education. Career paths include: civil servant, human resources professional, tourism specialist, journalist, communications specialist, non-governmental organization worker, international organization worker.
“My York University education has helped me develop various skills which I will apply to my future career. Being able to communicate bilingually opens up many opportunities on a personal, national and international level which is a great advantage.”

Sabrina Fortino
BA, French Studies (major) and English (minor) ’18
BEd Candidate, Consecutive Teacher Education

German Studies (BA, iBA)

The German Studies program encompasses subjects ranging from German language, literature and film studies to intellectual and cultural history, urban studies, political science, and art history. You’ll gain a unique intercultural perspective indispensable for meeting the challenges of our increasingly global world.

Career paths include: cultural institution worker, diplomat, educator, researcher.

Hellenic Studies (BA)

York University offers the only Hellenic Studies program in Ontario where you can explore the history and culture of Greece and the Eastern Mediterranean in the ancient and modern periods. The program integrates the study of Greek language with literature and history as well as a range of other courses on Humanities and European Studies. Modern Greece is an important European nation at the cross-roads between Europe and the Middle East. The Greek community in Toronto, with the creation of the Hellenic Heritage Foundation Chair in Modern Greek History, has chosen York University to be the premiere centre of Hellenic Studies in Ontario.

Career paths include: diplomat, non-governmental organization worker, public servant.

Italian Studies (BA, iBA)

The Italian Studies program offers courses in languages, literature and linguistics, as well as unique courses such as Italian opera, Italian cinema, the Italian minority in North America and Italian-Canadian authors. In addition to language training, you can study the dialects, literature and rich cultural heritage of Italy.

Career paths include: international lawyer, foreign service officer, international trade expert, researcher.

Linguistics (BA)

The Linguistics program 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.

Career paths include: educator, speech and language pathologist, audiologist, editor.

“...The Linguistics program has a large selection of courses which allows you to either pursue one specialized path in your upper years or take a broader route and gain an understanding of the variety of specializations.”

Viktoria Peretokina
Student
BA, Linguistics (major) and French Studies (minor)
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Certificate

Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies (BA)

The Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies program concentrates on learning about and engaging with the diversity of Portuguese-speaking culture, literature, art, history and political landscape. Focus on the entire Portuguese-speaking world across all continents, including immigrant communities.

Career paths include: educator, Foreign Service officer, international development expert, researcher.
Professional Writing (BA)
The Professional Writing program offers students a unique opportunity to study and to acquire practical expertise in a wide range of written expressions that inform and shape our culture. The combination of knowledge and expertise is highly sought after by employers who recognize the spiralling need for effective communications in today’s and tomorrow’s economy. Students in our program develop inventive approaches to writing that keep pace with cultural, social, and technological transformation in the contemporary world.

Career paths include: publisher, media professional (journalist, editor), digital media professional, communications specialist.

Spanish (BA)
The Spanish program explores a rich assortment of courses examining the literature, culture and linguistics of the Spanish-speaking world in all its diversity and international relevance. Proficiency in the Spanish language (speaking, writing, reading, listening) and cultural understanding of the Spanish-speaking world are a valuable asset in any career, globally and locally.

Career paths include: Foreign Service officer, health sciences expert, international trade and development expert.

United States Studies (BA)
The United States Studies program encompasses the rich history and rapidly evolving future of one of the planet’s most powerful nations, the United States. You’ll develop a broad understanding of this country through studies in literature, history, politics and the arts. Specialize in topics such as the U.S. in the world or African American culture.

Career paths include: diplomat, educator, writer, filmmaker.

LAW AND POLITICS

Criminology (BA)
The Criminology program looks at crimes and criminality as central concerns in our contemporary world. In this program, you will develop a broad knowledge base, refined analytical and research skills, and a comprehensive understanding of the criminal justice system as it relates to national and international social processes.

Career paths include: lawyer, police officer, community outreach worker, conflict mediator.

“My Honours degree in Criminology, more than anything, has given me the ability to think critically. I am able to use skills to further understand meanings, implications, and motivations behind certain narratives. This has greatly helped me in my Master’s degree where I conduct original research.”

Aaqib Mahmood
BA, Criminology ’16
MA, Socio-Legal Studies ’17
Intern, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Global Political Studies (BA)
The Global Political Studies program invites students to specialize in international and global politics by combining courses in two fields – international relations and comparative world politics. Our program focuses on the political community; issues of diversity and inequality; the nature of security, peace, and violence; and major transformations in global, regional, and domestic politics.

Career paths include: diplomat, non-governmental organization worker, public sector professional, politician.

Human Rights and Equity Studies (BA)
The Human Rights and Equity Studies program 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 military occupation and war. Students explore the roots of these problems and the diverse forms of resistance to them.

Career paths include: international human rights worker, refugee and migrant advocate, trade union equity officer, women and children’s rights officer, policy analyst.
International Development Studies (BA)
The International Development Studies program concentrates on dynamics of regions in the developing world with a focus on culture, diasporas and migration, environment, gender, political economy, politics, governance and policy. Students will develop an understanding of the challenges and opportunities for the Global South in the face of existing inequalities between wealthy and emerging nations, and the political-institutional, cultural, socioeconomic and ecological factors presently affecting international development.

Career paths include: international development professional, non-governmental organization worker, community development worker, researcher, policy analyst.

Law and Society (BA)
The Law and Society program develops an understanding of the relationship between law and society, and the many social factors that affect law such as race, gender, age, sexuality and class. Our faculty bring a range of interdisciplinary expertise and training to the classroom, and draw from fields as diverse as anthropology, history, philosophy, law, sociology, criminology and political science. Use real-world problems and examples to critically examine the impact of law on people’s lives.

Career paths include: lawyer, legal assistant, community worker, public policy analyst.

“My York University education served as a springboard which launched me forward into my Master’s degree program. It allowed me to pursue my research interests and desired career path of academic and policy research analysis.”

Salisha Purushuttam
BA, Law and Society ’17
MA Candidate, Socio-Legal Studies
Research and Teaching Assistant, Osgoode Hall Law School

Political Science (BA, iBA)
The Political Science program 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.

Career paths include: international relations expert, lawyer, policy analyst, journalist.

Public Administration (BPA)
The Public Administration program develops key administrative, management and leadership skills, while discussing how government works in theory and practice. Develop the knowledge and skills you need to analyze, formulate and evaluate policy at all levels of governance. Examine current and emerging debates on public institutions, law, human rights and diversity, as well as socio-economic issues. This program delivers professional knowledge, practical skills, and experiential educational opportunities such as practicum and internship positions.

Career paths include: public servant (local, regional, provincial, national and international), public sector manager, policy analyst, registered lobbyist, governmental relations officer, stakeholder relations manager, non-profit manager.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Anthropology (BA, iBA)
Anthropology focuses on a comparative study of the world’s societies. You will learn anthropological perspectives on the differences and the similarities among and between these living societies and cultures. Our world is constantly changing, and its peoples are interconnected by new and powerful economic, cultural and technological forces. Develop the knowledge and skills to think critically and productively about how class, race, gender and ethnic identities are produced and expressed in shifting local and global contexts of power. Our overall goal is to help you become an informed global citizen.

Career paths include: development officer, foreign affairs worker, educator, human resources specialist.
**Cognitive Science (BA)**

The Cognitive Science program studies the mind and its processes scientifically. This program is especially exciting for its interdisciplinary approach integrating psychology, philosophy, computer science, neuroscience, anthropology, biology, and linguistics. Students may focus on a number of different areas including Artificial Intelligence, Linguistic Development, Comparative Cognition, Philosophical Psychology, and Human-Computer Interaction.

*Career paths include:* neuroscientist, speech pathologist, educator, therapist.

**Geography (BA, iBA)**

The Geography program rests on all three pillars of intellectual life: the physical sciences, the social sciences, and the humanities. Geography is a cutting-edge field that examines some of the world's most critical issues, including resource depletion, human migration, globalization, geopolitics, social inequality, and environmental vulnerability.

*Career paths include:* environmental assessor, GIS technician, housing and transportation policy analyst, market researcher, community development officer.

**Communication Studies (BA, iBA)**

The Department of Communication Studies at York University is ranked as one of the top 3 in Canada according to the QS World University Ranking system. In today's media-centric and technologically saturated environment, knowledge of communication is essential for both professional and everyday life. We teach students to question, analyze and creatively reflect on the wide range of media systems and communication technologies that permeate our lives.

*Career paths include:* media creator, media researcher, social media manager, communications policy analyst.

**Gender and Women’s Studies (BA)**

The Gender and Women’s Studies program 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, NGOs, business, government and media.

*Career paths include:* political activist, educator, women's and human rights advocate, community support worker, counsellor, family therapist, health policy planner, non-governmental organization director, non-profit administrator, policy researcher, social worker, youth worker.

**Health and Society (BA)**

The Health and Society program 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.

*Career paths include:* community health activist, community health advocate, alternative healthcare worker, health administrator, public health officer, healthcare researcher.

“My program has broadened my understanding of social justice issues within the health and biomedical fields while helping me think critically.”

*Ruka Watanabe*

*Student*

*BA, Health and Society*
Indigenous Studies (BA)
Our new BA Program in Indigenous Studies will provide students with the opportunity to develop social awareness and a sense of social responsibility relating to Indigenous issues, while their access to traditional Elders and ceremonies, and their placements with Indigenous or supporting organizations will provide them with cultural and experiential knowledge.

Career paths include: policy analyst, community worker, land claims negotiation professional.

Individualized Studies (BA)
The Individualized Studies program is designed for students whose academic interests are best met by a customized program of study that allows them to choose courses across the University. The program is unique to York, and allows students to define core problems or issues that, in linking various academic disciplines, will serve as the foundation of their studies. Students typically apply to the program in their second year. Your career will depend on the branch in which you choose to specialize. The program will help you develop numerous skills required for jobs in government, business, communications and more.

“The best part of the program is that it allows you to tailor your degree; I will be the only person in the entire world with this degree and that is so cool!”

Veronica Lockyer
Student
BA, Individualized Studies in Youth Poverty '18
MA Candidate, Social Anthropology

Interdisciplinary Social Science (BA)
The Interdisciplinary Social Science program allows students to explore courses from a range of fields including Work and Labour Studies, Development Studies, Health and Society, Urban Studies and African Studies to critically examine historical and contemporary issues related to social and political thought, social justice and diversity, sustainability and the environment, social exclusion and identity, diaspora and global development. Students are prepared to make sense of the social complexities within our society so that they can contribute to change.

Career paths include: social policy analyst, journalist, social advocate, community relations officer.

Sexuality Studies (BA, iBA)
The Sexuality Studies program 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 renowned 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.

Career paths include: political activist, policy analyst, artist, educator, health care worker, social worker.

Social Work (BSW)
The Social Work program is recognized as one of the most progressive and socially responsive Social Work programs in Canada. York’s program combines critical theory and practical experience in classroom and practicum settings. In your final year, you will spend three days a week on a placement working with experienced social workers.

Career paths include: social service agency worker, child welfare worker, community worker, mental health worker.
Sociology (BA)
The Sociology program offers its students a critical, public approach that challenges common-sense assumptions and uses research to aim for greater social justice. Sociologists recognize that power dynamics, social interactions, culture, and historical patterns shape society. Students can specialize in Global Sociology, Cultural and Political Sociology, Social Inequality, Theory, and Research Methods.

Career paths include: community worker, social services worker, law enforcement, social researcher, policy analyst, teacher.

Urban Studies (BA, iBA)
The Urban Studies program 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.

Career paths include: architect, journalist, municipal government worker, urban planner.

Work and Labour Studies (BA)
The Work and Labour Studies program explores the issues arising from labour and employment, the impact of globalization, and the roles of unions and social movements in making work better for everyone. You will understand the dynamics of the workplace and how our experience at work is changing.

Career paths include: career counsellor, industrial relations manager, labour market researcher, occupational health and safety officer, labour policy analyst, union organizer.

ADDITIONAL AREAS OF STUDY

African Studies (Double Major or Minor)
The African Studies program complements your degree as a double major or minor option. From ancient history to contemporary issues, modern Africa poses challenges and opportunities worthy of serious study. Learn from professors engaged in researching social, political, economic, and cultural change from pre-colonial times to the present.

Business (Honours Minor)
The Business minor develops in-demand skills that will impress today’s employers in our globalized world. Gain a practical and theoretical background in business that will complement the expertise and skills you acquire through your major and set you on the fast track to success.

Japanese Studies (Honours Minor)
The Japanese Studies program explores Japanese culture and language with this unique minor option. Study classic and contemporary Japanese society, linguistics and communication, as well as business management customs. Develop pedagogy for teaching Japanese and skills in translation and interpretation between English and Japanese.

Marketing (Honours Minor)
The Marketing minor enables you to examine the fundamentals of Marketing, including Marketing Management, Consumer Behaviour and Marketing Research. Learn the in-demand skills to develop and implement effective marketing strategies, which are transferable to a variety of industries and exciting careers.

Medical Anthropology (Honours Minor)
The Medical Anthropology 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 and addiction, mental health, global health, food and nutrition, complementary and alternative medicine, reproduction, and disability. Critical-thinking skills in the analysis and interpretation of biomedical knowledge are highly valued by employers. A minor in this program can be combined with almost any degree specialization to create a unique combination.
TUITION FEES

Tuition fees are based on the number of credits taken every semester. Fees are subject to change each academic year. The information listed below is an estimate of fees based on the 2018/2019 academic year.

For additional details, visit sfs.yorku.ca/fees

LIBERAL ARTS DEGREES
(most BA programs)
Average annual full-time tuition (5 full-year courses) + compulsory supplementary fees:

Canadian Students
$7,743.00

International Students
$26,975.40

PROFESSIONAL STUDIES DEGREES
(BCOM, BDEM, BPA and ITEC programs)
Fees applicable to programs designated “professional” as defined by the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development; programs include but may not be limited to: BCOM, BDEM, BPA and ITEC.

Average annual full-time tuition (5 full-year courses) + compulsory supplementary fees:

Canadian Students
$10,553.40

International Students
$28,728.60

Canadian Fees
To be eligible for domestic fees you must be either a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada (otherwise known as landed immigrant) effective on the dates specified on an annual basis.

International Fees
Students who do not have the status specified above, or who apply to York and declare themselves as visa students, will be charged tuition fees at international rates.
APPLICATION AND ADMISSIONS PROCESS

1. Complete an online application form at OUAC.ON.CA

2. Once you have submitted your application, you will receive your York reference number via email. You can track the progress of your application and submit additional documents at YORKU.CA/MYFILE

3. Additional information and support will be provided through email or at YORKU.CA/MYFILE

ADMISSIONS

Ontario High Schools
All programs require an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) with six 4U/M courses, including ENG4U. Certain programs might require specific courses in addition to ENG4U.

For more information on entry requirements for all high school students, International Baccalaureate (IB), Advanced Placement (AP), international students, mature students, and transfer students from other Colleges and Universities, visit our website futurestudents.yorku.ca/requirements

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IMPORTANT DATES

2018

September 28 - 30
Visit us at Metro Toronto Convention Centre for Ontario Universities’ Fair

November 17
Visit us at Keele Campus for Fall Campus Day

2019

January 16
Deadline to apply
(for Ontario high school students)

February
Apply for scholarships and residence early

March 30
Visit us at Keele Campus for Experience York Day

April
Accept your offer
(as soon as you receive admission)

May
Enroll for classes through YU Start

July
Book an appointment and enroll for classes
For questions, email goyork@yorku.ca

August
Attend Your First Year at York information session

September
Attend Orientation and start classes!

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