



Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

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About Toronto

Study in the most multicultural city in the world. Toronto is an ideal city for students. Canada's largest city is a leader in business, technology, entertainment and culture. Now, with direct access to downtown Toronto, students at York are just a train ride away from one of the most vibrant cities in the world. Catch a Raptors or Leafs game, an off-Broadway show, a concert, or visit one of our many art galleries. Grab a ferry to Toronto Island for a beach day or stop by one of our many festivals.



About the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

When you chose to join Liberal Arts & Professional Studies, you are choosing an academic journey like no other. Here you get to tailor your education to fit your personal and career ambitions. Our unique Faculty bridges a traditional liberal arts with a professional education, giving you the foundation you need to succeed in the real world.

Message from the Dean

I look forward to welcoming you to Liberal Arts & Professional Studies in the coming months. If you haven't made up your mind yet, let me tell you a few things about our unique Faculty.

We are the only Faculty in Ontario that bridges traditional liberal arts with professional education. Our students have the unique opportunity to combine any number of programs as double majors and major/minors. We will give you the necessary tools to unlock a world of infinite possibilities.

We believe that academic knowledge and practical experience are the way forward. Let us help you find your pathway to success.

At LA&PS we are committed to inclusion, equity, and diversity in all our activities. We push the boundaries of learning and offer exceptional work study and study abroad opportunities.

More than 23,000 students from across Canada and the world call LA&PS home. I look forward to welcoming you home.

- Professor J.J. McMurtry, Dean



Experiential Learning

At LA&PS we encourage students to take their learning outside the classroom. We strongly believe in hands-on learning. That's why we provide a huge choice of practical experiences abroad, in the community, in the workplace and in the classroom. You can choose to study abroad on academic exchange at one of York's 120 international partner institutions, all while earning credits towards your degree. You can also work in the field of your choice, as part of our extensive internship and placement program.



21,000
Students

2000+
Courses



650+
Fulltime
Faculty



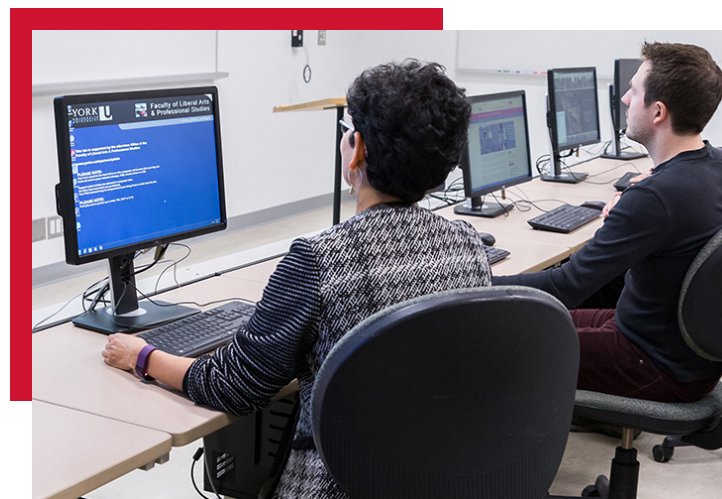
23
Masters &
doctoral
programs

The LA&PS Advantage

90+
Undergraduate degree
& certificate programs



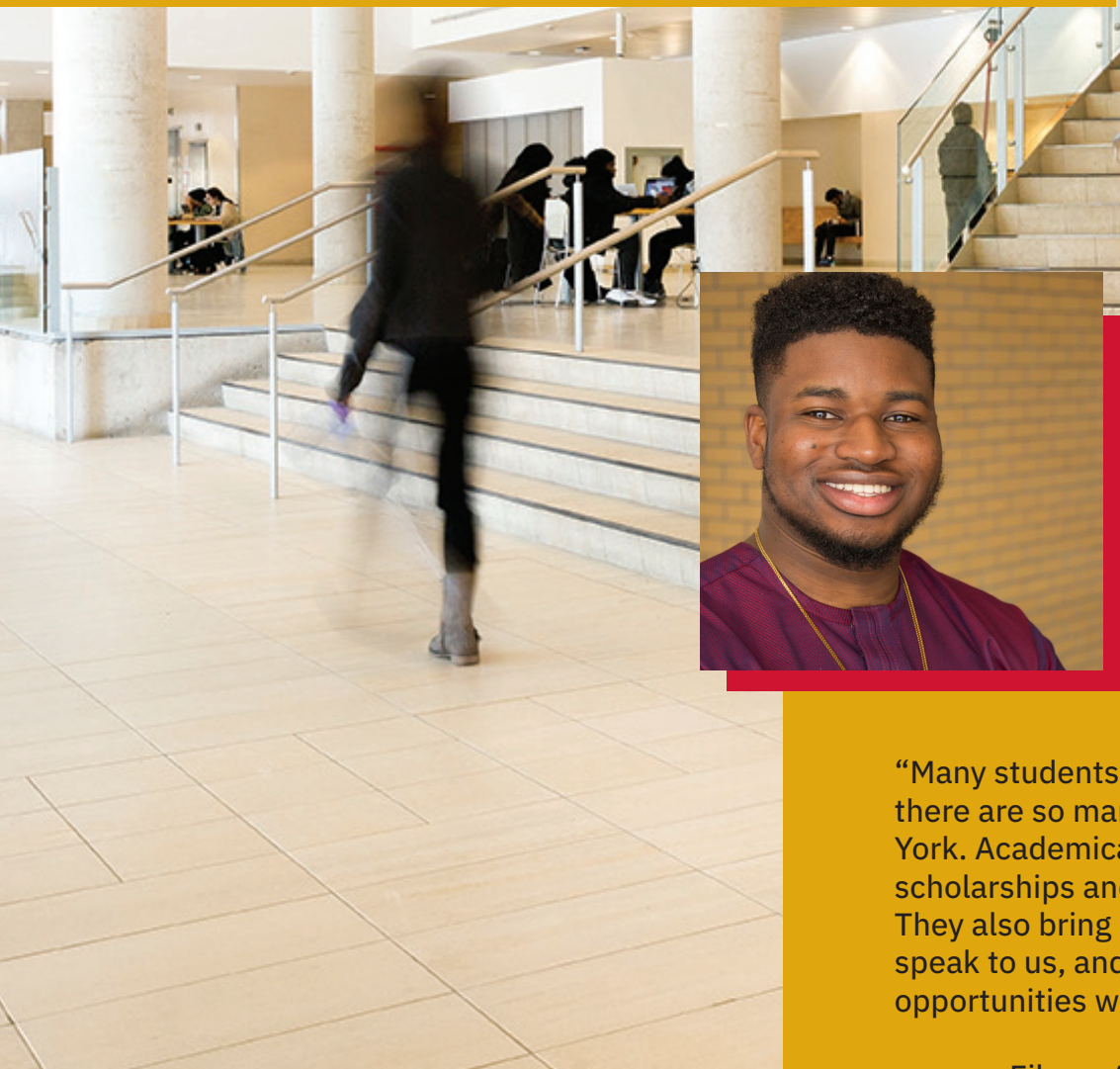
136,000+
Alumni



Why Choose LA&PS

“During the York orientation I was told about the career centre, the writing centre, the counselling services and personally, I have made use of everything. I’ve gone to the writing centre for my assignments, I’ve gone to the career centre for my resumes and the counselling services for my own mental health. There are many different resources”

- Aneri Patel (Double Major, Economics and Psychology)



“Many students don’t realize that there are so many opportunities at York. Academically, there are many scholarships and many awards. They also bring in CEOs to come to speak to us, and who knows what opportunities will grow from that”

- Fikayo Aderoju (Economics)



Getting Started

Ready to join our extraordinary Faculty? We’re here to help you through your next steps.

- Choose what you want to study
- Review admissions requirements
- Take note of application deadlines
- Take a campus tour
- Accept your offer

Undergraduate Programs

Explore your options. Bridge disciplines. Increase your knowledge and career edge through our degree and certificate programs and versatile double-major and major-minor options. The Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (LA&PS) offers a wide range of degree programs from a bachelor of arts, to a bachelor of commerce, to a bachelor of public administration. LA&PS also offers students flexibility: virtually all of our programs can be taken part-time, and many offer evening, weekend and online courses to better fit your life.

Graduate Programs

Whether you're a prospective student or a current student, our Graduate Studies program gives you the academic edge needed to move forward. Our graduate programs offer masters and PhD degrees in variety of fields. Our programs draw students from across the globe attracted to our excellent faculty and rich opportunities for research.



LA&PS Certificate Programs

Our diverse and flexible certificate programs help students increase their knowledge and professional development. Our certificate programs are designed to complement your on-going academic study or build on your previous academic and practical work experience. Many of our certificate programs can be taken concurrently with degree programs, to enhance your studies.

History, Philosophy, and Humanities

Children, Childhood and Youth

Bachelor of Arts (BA) – Honours

This program will examine how to engage children and discern children and young people’s voices in historical and cultural contexts. You will come to understand the human condition from the child’s perspective.

History

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (IBA)

This program will explore thousands of years of history in Africa, Asia, Europe and the Americas and explore themes such as the immigrant experience in Canada, history and global migration.

Humanities

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (IBA)

This program emphasizes the different ways in which human cultures and their multiple forms of expression have developed historically and continue to develop today.

Individualized Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This 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 you to create your own path.

Jewish Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Explore Judaism and the Jewish people while studying the history of Judaism as a religion, and the texts, sociologies, languages, cultures and fine arts of the Jewish people from biblical times to present day.

Philosophy

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This program explores many of humanity’s fundamental questions. The program’s interdisciplinary approach will help you understand various contemporary challenges in applied ethics, social and political philosophy, feminist philosophy, cognitive science, philosophy of mind, and argumentation theory.

Religious Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This program invites students to join in current scholarly efforts to study, analyze and understand different forms of religious experience from a number of disciplinary perspectives. Students may concentrate on one religious tradition or they may take a comparative approach.

Cultural Studies and Writing

African Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This program provides students with the opportunity to pursue their interest in Africa as a double major or minor. It is designed to help you gain personal and political insight on topics such as African history, people, and the continent’s role in global affairs.

Black Canadian Studies

Certificate

This certificate program introduces the study of Black Canada through four specific humanities and fine arts approaches: cultural studies, history, literature, and music.

Classical Studies/ Classics

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Programs in Classical Studies and Classics offer a range of courses in Greek and Roman history, literature, culture, art and architecture, Greek philosophy, and in Greek and Latin language. Explore the mythology, archaeology, history, literature and culture of ancient Greece and Rome.

Creative Writing

Bachelor of Arts (BA) - Honours

This program introduces students to the various forms of literary writing. Develop a portfolio of writing, including fiction, creative non-fiction, and poetry with one of the few degree programs of its kind in Canada.

East Asian Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA) - Honours

This program explores the significance of the Chinese, Japanese and Korean language, literature and fine arts and investigate the economic, social and political impact of these influential nations.

English

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Discover literary art in all its forms, become knowledgeable about the development of literature throughout history and master the ability to write. This program offers a variety of courses in historical periods from medieval to contemporary, in the literature of several nations (Canadian and post-colonial as well as English and American).

English and Professional Writing

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This program blends English and Professional Writing into a single degree program that highlights and enhances the relationship between the two fields of study. Develop your critical reading, writing and analytical thinking skills.

Hellenic Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Explore the ancient and modern periods of Greece through a curriculum that integrates language study with literature, culture and history. Hellenic studies allows students to make connections in Toronto’s vibrant Greek community, as well as with universities in Greece and Hellenic Studies programs around the globe.

Professional Writing

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Gain the type of practical experience highly sought after by prospective employers while studying forms of written expression that inform and shape our culture.

Law and Politics

Criminology

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Discover how the study of crime and its control intersects with social life and connects to the pursuit of justice. This program focuses not only on crime and criminal justice, but also on processes of criminalization and social regulation.

Global Political Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Gain the skills required to analyze the governance of global forces, and evaluate responses to tough questions in today’s global landscape. This 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.

Human Rights and Equity Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This program explores the ethical principles of human rights as well as the roots and impact of human rights violations and efforts of remedy. Discover the foundational concepts behind human rights and examine what constitutes rights violations.

International Development Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Explore the foundations of international development theory and how these theories translate into the practice of helping those in need. Study the realities facing communities throughout the world, and the factors that contribute to the inequalities between the rich and the poor.

Law and Society

Bachelor of Arts (BA) – Honours

Sharpen your research and analytical skills in fields as varied as philosophy, anthropology, and criminology, as you pursue the knowledge of the law, how it has impacted the course of history and the role it plays in today’s society.

Political Science

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (IBA)

Explore the actions of governments, judicial systems and political parties while discovering movements in society and in the power relations of everyday life. This program is designed to develop a student’s political analysis ability, critical skills and democratic awareness.

Public Administration

Bachelor of Public Administrations (BPA)

This program aims to provide students with “education for good governance.” With a strong emphasis on social justice, and public ethics, students take courses from a mix of disciplines to develop critical thinking, analytical capabilities and management skills.

Social Sciences

Advocacy and Public Engagement

Certificate, Minor

This minor/certificate program affirms the role of students and scholars as active citizens, community leaders, and partners in empowerment. This minor draws on the department's long-standing strengths in Applied Anthropology, or Public Anthropology as it is more generally known today.

Anthropology

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

This program focuses on a comparative study of the world's societies. You will ask critical questions about contemporary, past and future social life. You will explore the four major themes of the program including gender, health and the body; nature, science and religion; culture and performance; and power, politics, and development.

Medical Anthropology

(Certificate, Minor)

This certificate or minor provides an anthropological perspective on health and illness processes and the socio-cultural factors that shape the experience of illness, patterns of health and disease, and access to health care services.

Cognitive Science

Bachelor of Arts (BA), Minor

Explore the complex nature of the functions of the mind while answering the oldest questions in philosophy and discovering the most recent findings in science.

Communication Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

This program is organized around three main themes: media, culture, and society; critical technology studies; and politics and policy. Explore the character and development of today's diverse media and communication landscapes.

Gender and Women's Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Discover the intersections of gender, race, class, age, ability and sexuality in popular culture, everyday life, the arts, the sciences, politics, societies, and the economy.

Health and Society

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Challenge yourself to critically look at the complexity of health policy, and discover ways in which globalizing economies shape both illness and health care.

Indigenous Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Develop a sense of social responsibility relating to Indigenous issues. Learn from traditional Elders. Placements with Indigenous/supporting organizations provide you with cultural and experiential knowledge about Indigenous lands, languages and cultures.

Interdisciplinary Social Science

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Examine historical and contemporary issues within the social science field, including topics such as sustainability and the environment, social justice and diversity, diaspora and global development.

Sexuality Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

Examine the artistic, cultural, economic, geographic, historical, literary, political, psychological and social aspects of sexuality in a transnational context.

Social Work

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

Combine practical experience with in-class studies about critical social work perspectives and approaches with our Social Work program, recognized as one of the most progressive and socially responsive programs in Canada.

Sociology

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Examine social interaction and explore thought-provoking topics such as social inequality, the causes and effects of global migration and the meaning of gender and race in society.

Urban Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

Gain real world perspectives and theoretical knowledge as you investigate the complex relationship between political institutions, economic systems, ecological processes, physical structures, social relations and cultural understandings.

Work and Labour Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Learn how work occupies much of our lives and influences how we live and think about the world while exploring the complex nature of work and employment, the impact of globalization and the role of trade unions.

Languages, Literatures and Linguistics

The Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics offers one of the widest selections of languages of any Canadian university: American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), German, Greek (both Classical and Modern), Hebrew, Hindi-Urdu, Italian, Jamaican Creole, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Persian, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swahili and Yiddish.

French Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

The French Studies program focuses on the study of language, linguistics and literature while exploring francophone culture around the world. We keep our classes small to give you plenty of opportunity to speak French and interact with professors and classmates.

German Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

Explore the language, culture and society of the German-speaking world. You will have the opportunity to study abroad with Canada's best range of exchange programs.

Italian Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA), International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

Study Italian languages, literature and linguistics and enhance your understanding of Italy's place in the global context and the multi-faceted and dynamic Italian culture.

Japanese Studies

Certificate, Minor

The Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics offers a minor degree program in Japanese studies. Students may also pursue a Certificate of Proficiency in Japanese language.

Linguistics

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

What is the relation between language and society? Why and how does language change through time? How do language and thought relate? Explore all these questions and more through a range of courses that have applications to teaching, speech-language pathology and communication engineering.

Portuguese & Luso-Brazilian Studies

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This program focuses on aspects of art, musical and literary expressions, history, social and political landscapes through a wealth of courses, including experiential education opportunities.

Spanish

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Develop a strong command of the Spanish language as you explore the language, literature, culture and ethnic diversity of Spain and the Spanish-American world.

Speech and Language Sciences

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This new program provides students with an in-depth knowledge of the field of speech and language sciences and disorders. This program also functions as a pre-professional preparatory program for students who intend to pursue graduate work in speech-language pathology or audiology.

The Department of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics offers a range of ESL credit courses that help students develop the knowledge and skills they need to be successful in their degree programs at York. Some courses count as general education courses where students can explore Canadian issues and the English language while further developing English and academic communication skills.

Business and Information Technology

Accounting Certificate
Sharpen your professional accounting skills and prepare for an accounting designation. You'll gain specialized training in financial and management accounting, personal and corporate income taxation, and advanced financial applications. Certificate only.

Business and Society Bachelor of Arts (BA)
This program provides students with the tools needed to study the relationship between business, the economy and society. Study the impact of business decisions on the larger society, and understand the correlation between economic decisions and social outcomes.

Business Economics Bachelor of Arts (BA)
This program integrates aspects of economics and business studies, focusing on the use of economic analysis and statistical methods to deal effectively with economic problems in practical business fields.

Business Minor (Honours, Minor)
The Honours Minor program may be combined with any approved non-business Honours program that offers a major/minor option in the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies.

Commerce Bachelor of Commerce (BCom), BCom Specialized Honours in Information Technology (BCom ITEC)
This program focuses on how to apply theory to real-world situations, using a variety of methods including multimedia presentations, seminars, and case studies. With the help of an expert faculty, students sharpen their critical-thinking, communication and leadership skills. Broaden your career horizons and gain practical business experience in one of the largest undergraduate business programs in Canada.

Disaster and Emergency Management Bachelor of Disaster and Emergency Management (BDEM)
This program provides students with the academic knowledge and technical skills necessary to aid in the prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery from disasters and emergencies.

Economics Bachelor of Arts (BA)
This program introduces students to economic thinking and prepares them for intelligent consideration of contemporary economic issues. Gain the analytical skills necessary for understanding and solving complex economic problems.

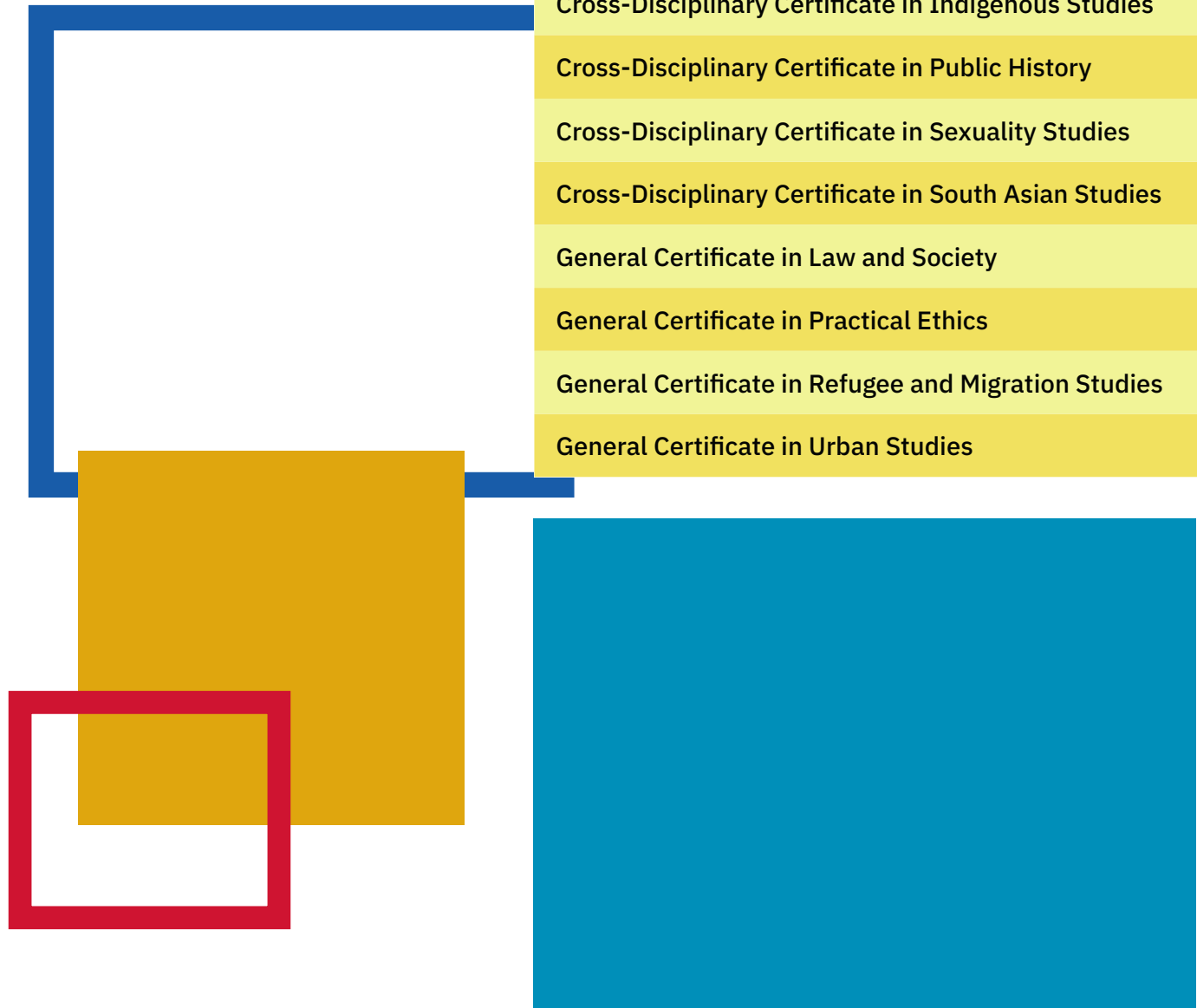
Financial and Business Economics Bachelor of Arts (BA)
This program is highly structured to give students a broad understanding of the economic framework upon which financial theory is based.

Human Resource Management Bachelor of Human Resource Management (BHRM)
This interdisciplinary and professional program focuses on all aspects related to the management of people in organizations. Explore industrial relations, career management, gender and diversity, recruitment and selection, economics and statistics, training and development.

Information Technology Bachelor of Arts (BA), Bachelor of Commerce (BCom)
This program studies how technology can best be integrated and customised. Discover the world of Information Technology (IT) and become an IT professional able to design, implement, customize and manage technologies.

Marketing (Honours, Minor, Certificate)
Students learn the fundamentals of marketing in marketing management, consumer behaviour and marketing research. This program may be combined with any approved non-business Honours program that offers a major/minor option in the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies.

Certificate Programs
Advanced Certificate in Gender and Women's Studies
Advanced Certificate in Hebrew and Jewish Studies
Advocacy and Public Engagement Training
Certificate in Anti-Racist Research and Practice
Certificate in Culture, Medicine, and Health
Certificate in Gender and Women's Studies
Certificate in Public Administration
Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
Cross-Disciplinary Certificate in Anti-Racist Research and Practice (CARRP)
Cross-Disciplinary Certificate in Indigenous Studies
Cross-Disciplinary Certificate in Public History
Cross-Disciplinary Certificate in Sexuality Studies
Cross-Disciplinary Certificate in South Asian Studies
General Certificate in Law and Society
General Certificate in Practical Ethics
General Certificate in Refugee and Migration Studies
General Certificate in Urban Studies





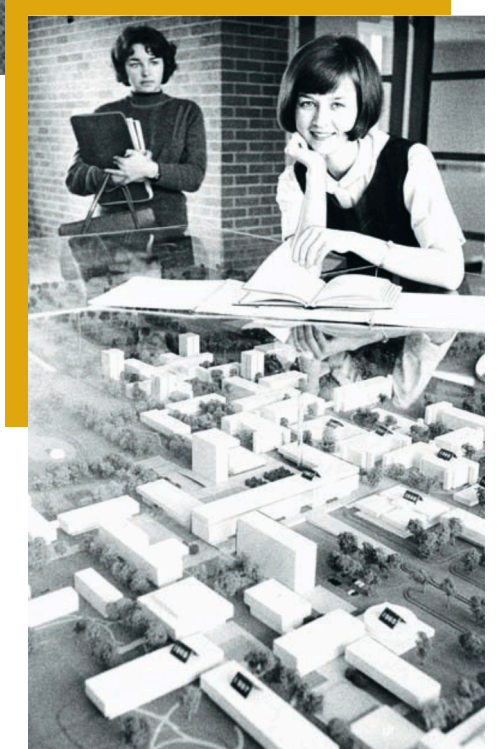
York's Legacy

For six decades, York University has embraced a rich diversity of perspectives with a strong sense of social responsibility. When York first opened in 1959, it was a small upstart with a focus on liberal education in arts and science. The goal was to provide students with an innovative, progressive education. LA&PS is still committed to being a catalyst for change 60 years later. Today, we are Canada's largest liberal arts faculty housed in the country's third largest interdisciplinary research and teaching institution.



Our Commitment to Social Justice

Social justice is a hallmark of LA&PS. Our faculty, students, and staff are dedicated to making a positive impact on the social, economic, and cultural well-being of the University and community at large. At LA&PS, we cultivate social justice through active engagement in the classroom, through our ground-breaking research, and outstanding experiential education opportunities.



Application Process

There are two ways to apply to undergraduate study at York – choose the one that best applies to your circumstances at:

laps.yorku.ca/apply

Once you have submitted your application, you will receive an email containing your York reference number. You can then track the progress of your application and submit required supporting documents at: yorku.ca/myfile



Tuition

Course Fees Including
Tuition and Supplementary Fees:

LA&PS Undergraduate Degree

\$6,981 – Domestic

\$29,496 – International

**LA&PS Undergraduate,
BCom, BDEM, BPA, BA (ITEC major)**

\$9,596 – Domestic

\$31,424 – International

*Course and program fees are approved in accordance with the tuition framework guidelines set by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities and are subject to change.



Financial Supports

We know that financial constraints can keep some students on the sidelines. That is why we provide multiple awards and bursaries for students applying from high school, for transfer and mature students, international applicants, and Indigenous students.

We make it simple: just fill out your Student Financial Profile. This online application form is used to apply for scholarships, bursaries and on-campus employment programs. Our award search tool lets you view awards, scholarships, prizes and bursaries offered at York.

Choose Programs

Explore your options and bridge disciplines.

Choose your major from our list below. You can combine it with another major or minor. Some students also choose to add a certificate to their degree. Many of our programs offer evening, weekend, and online classes to give you the flexibility you need.

Specialized Program



Double Major Program



Major with Minor Program



Single Major Program



Legend: S Specialized DM Double Major M Single Major Mn Minor

Program	Degree	Degree Options	Subject(s) Required	Grade Requirement*
BUSINESS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY				
Business and Society	BA	M	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Business Economics	BA (90 Credits Only)	M	ENG4U, MHF4U,**	Mid-to-High 70s
Commerce	BCom	S M	ENG4U, MHF4U	Low-80s
Disaster and Emergency Management	BDEM	S DM M Mn	ENG4U, 4U math	Mid-70s
Economics	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U, MHF4U,**	Mid-to-High 70s
Financial and Business Economics	BA	S	ENG4U, MHF4U,**	Mid-70s
Human Resource Management	BHRM	M Mn	ENG4U, 4U math	Mid-to-High 70s
Information Technology	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U, 4U math	Mid-70s
Information Technology	BCom	S M	ENG4U, MHF4U	Low-80s
HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY AND HUMANITIES				
Children, Childhood and Youth	BA	DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
History	BA, iBA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Humanities	BA, iBA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Individualized Studies	BA	S	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Jewish Studies	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Philosophy	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Religious Studies	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s

** MCV4U Recommended

Legend: S Specialized DM Double Major M Single Major Mn Minor

Program	Degree	Degree Options	Subject(s) Required	Grade Requirement*
CULTURAL STUDIES AND WRITING				
African Studies	BA	DM Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Classical Studies/Classics	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Creative Writing	BA	DM M Mn	Second Year Entry Only	
East Asian Studies	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
English	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
English and Professional Writing	BA	S	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Hellenic Studies	BA	DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Professional Writing	BA	DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND LINGUISTICS				
French Studies	BA, iBA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
German Studies	BA, iBA	DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Italian Studies	BA, iBA	DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Linguistics	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies	BA (90 Credits Only)	M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Spanish	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Speech and Language Sciences	BA	S	ENG4U, 4U math	Mid-70s
LAW AND POLITICS				
Criminology	BA	DM M	ENG4U	Low-80s
Global Political Studies	BA	S	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Human Rights and Equity Studies	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
International Development Studies	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Law and Society	BA	DM M	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Political Science	BA, iBA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Public Administration	BPA	S M Mn	ENG4U, 4U math	Mid-70s
SOCIAL SCIENCES				
Anthropology	BA, iBA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Cognitive Science	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Communication Studies	BA, iBA	S DM M	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Gender and Women's Studies	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Health and Society	BA	DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Indigenous Studies	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Interdisciplinary Social Science	BA	DM M	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Sexuality Studies	BA, iBA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Social Work	BSW	M	ENG4U	Mid-80s
Sociology	BA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-to-High 70s
Urban Studies	BA, iBA	S DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Work and Labour Studies	BA	DM M Mn	ENG4U	Mid-70s
Undeclared Major	BA		ENG4U	Mid-70s

*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.



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