



Program Planning Guide

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Calendar Year: 2011/2012

Faculty: Arts & Science

About the Multidisciplinary Major in Canadian Studies

The multidisciplinary major in Canadian Studies offers students the opportunity to concentrate their studies on facets of the Canadian national experience such as history, economics, geography, government and politics, sociology, literature, and aboriginal culture. In the process of completing their requirements, students will obtain a better understanding and appreciation of Canada and its complex regional character. Students will also have the opportunity to study complex issues such as bilingualism and biculturalism and examine their relevance to modern multicultural Canada.

Canadian Studies Courses

Canadian Studies students complete a variety of courses from a number of disciplines that provide a broad understanding of Canada. The major includes courses in

- Contemporary Canadian Communities
- Canadian Indian History
- Canadian Drama
- Canadian Poetry
- Seminars in Canadian Literature
- French
- Canada Since 1867
- Culture and Civilization
- Canadian Art History to 1940
- Canadian Political Parties
- Canadian Foreign Policy
- History of Western Canada
- Geography of Canada

Co-operative Education

A Co-op option, requiring three work terms, is available. Students interested in the Co-operative Education/Internship program should contact the Coordinator of Co-operative Education in the Career Resources Centre (AH154 | phone: 403-382-7154) for further information.

Program Requirements

The B.A. degree with a major in Canadian Studies requires 40 semester courses, including 20 courses in the Canadian Studies major consisting of courses in English and French, and a minimum of two courses in each of three additional disciplines. The major has three components: 1) a required core, 2) an options list, and 3) a required Independent Study course.

Transfer Credit

Remember that you may use both University of Lethbridge credit and credit transferred from another college or university to meet degree and major requirements. Transfer credit may be either specified or unspecified. Specified credit is indicated on your transcript by the subject name and the specific number of the course, e.g., History 1000, English 2000. Unspecified credit (1XXX, 2XXX, etc.) is indicated by the subject name and level of the course in parentheses, e.g., History (1000 level), English (2000 level).

Unspecified Course Credit

Unspecified course credit means that the University of Lethbridge does not offer the same course you transferred in, but we recognize it and treat it as a regular course. An unspecified course would count as one of your maximum of 20 from one department, but it could not meet a specific course requirement. For example, if English 2000 is required in your program, you could not use English (2000 level) to fulfill that requirement. Students with unspecified transfer credit need to consult an Academic Advisor to establish how the transfer credit fits in the degree program. This should be done as soon as possible after transfer credit is awarded.

Program Worksheet

Name : _____ ID : _____

I. Required core:

A minimum of eight courses and a maximum of 12 courses from the following list:

- _____ 1. *English 2000 - Survey of Canadian Literature
- _____ 2-3. Two of:
 - _____ French 1000 - Beginners' French I
 - _____ French 1100 - Beginners' French II
 - _____ French 1500 - Intermediate Language I
 - _____ French 2000 - Intermediate Language II
 - _____ French 2001 - Intermediate Language for Immersion Graduates
 - _____ French 2200 - Culture and Civilization I
 - _____ French 2250 - French Immersion
 - _____ French 2300 - Introduction to Modern Literature and Literary Analysis
- _____ 4-5. Two of:
 - _____ Economics 2170 - Economic History of Canada
 - _____ *History 2710 - Canada to 1867
 - _____ *History 2720 - Canada Since 1867
- _____ 6-8. Three of:
 - _____ Geography 2600 - Canada
 - _____ *Native American Studies 2100 - Aboriginal Peoples and Law
 - _____ *Native American Studies 2400 - Traditional Aboriginal Political Economy
 - _____ *Native American Studies 2500 - Canadian Indian History
 - _____ *Native American Studies 2800 - Native American Politics
 - _____ Political Science 2210 - Canadian Politics and Government
 - _____ Political Science 2240 - The Administration of Justice
 - _____ Political Science 2410 - Public Administration
 - _____ *Sociology 2010 - Canadian Society
 - _____ *Sociology 2410 - Sociology of Gender

**Has prerequisite that is not included in the major.*

II. Options:

A minimum of seven and a maximum of 11 courses from the following 3000/4000-level courses:

- _____ Art History/Museum Studies 3240 - Canadian Art History to 1940
- _____ Art History/Museum Studies 3245 - Canadian Art History: 1940 to the Present
- _____ Economics 3210 - Natural Resource Economics
- _____ Economics 4300 - Agricultural Policy II
- _____ English 3001 - Canadian Poetry
- _____ English 3002 - Contemporary Canadian Drama
- _____ English 3810 - Contemporary Canadian Literature
- _____ English 4000 - Seminars in Canadian and Post-Colonial Literature Series, with an emphasis on Canadian Literature

- _____ French 3001 - Advanced Language I
- _____ * French 3200 - Culture and Civilization II (Series)
- _____ * French 3500 - Survey of French or French-Canadian Literature (Series)
- _____ * French 3600 - Literary Genres (Series)
- _____ French 4001 - Advanced Language II
- _____ * French 4002 - Advanced Studies in Language (Series)
- _____ * French 4600 - Seminar in Literature (Series)
- _____ History 3703 - History of Western Canada
- _____ History 3707 - Canada Since 1939
- _____ History 3708 - History of Atlantic Canada
- _____ History 4070 - Seminars in Canadian History (Series)
- _____ Native American Studies 3100 - Law and Aboriginal Development in Canada
- _____ Native American Studies 3300 - Canadian Indian Art History and Theory
- _____ Native American Studies 3400 - Contemporary Aboriginal Political Economy
- _____ Native American Studies 3500 - History of Prairie Indian Treaties
- _____ Native American Studies 3700 - Native American Health
- _____ Native American Studies 4400 - Indians and the Criminal Justice System
- _____ Native American Studies 4700 - The Métis
- _____ Political Science 3120 - Canadian Foreign Policy
- _____ Political Science 3221 - The Politics of Canadian Federalism
- _____ Political Science 3230 - Provincial Government and Politics
- _____ Political Science 3241 - Canadian Constitutional Law I: The Structures and Powers
- _____ Political Science 3242 - Canadian Constitutional Law II: The Charter
- _____ Political Science 3250 - Alberta Politics and Government
- _____ Political Science 3260 - Canadian Public Policy
- _____ Political Science 3280 - Canadian Political Behaviour
- _____ Political Science 4710 - Canadian Political Parties

Selected Topics courses: A number of Special Topics courses apply to Canadian Studies. Since these courses are offered on an irregular basis, they can be approved only on an individual basis.

** Offerings in the French 3200, French 3500, French 3600, French 4002, and French 4600 Series may be counted toward the major provided (1) they are clearly related to Canadian Studies and (2) they are approved by the Coordinator of Canadian Studies.*

Note: *Many of the options courses require prerequisites, thus students should choose courses with this in mind.*

No more than six of the chosen options may be from one discipline.

III. Independent Study (Consult the program Coordinator for approval and signature.)

Each student must complete one Independent Study course in Canadian Studies at the 3000 or 4000 level. This course involves preferably more than one discipline and must be approved by the Coordinator of Canadian Studies. A maximum of five Independent Study courses may count for credit towards the degree.

Remember: A minimum of 20 courses is required for this major.

Sample Sequencing Plan

Shown below is a sample sequence of courses for your degree. If you follow this plan, you should be able to graduate in four years, provided you complete five courses per semester. This is just one example of how you could complete your major and degree requirements; you may find that a different sequence works as well as this one.

Year 1

Ten courses, including at least four in the Canadian Studies Core. Electives should be chosen to fulfill the General Liberal Education Requirement and to meet prerequisites for courses required in the major. Students should take English 1900 (prerequisite) in Year One.

Year 2

Ten courses, including at least four in the Canadian Studies Core. Electives should be chosen to fulfill the General Liberal Education Requirement.

Year 3

Ten courses, including at least six from the Canadian Studies Options list.

Year 4

Ten courses, including at least five from the Canadian Studies Options list, and an Independent Study.

Note: Most courses in both the Required Core and the Options List require prerequisites not included in the Canadian Studies major.

Terms Used

GLER course: A course that could count toward the General Liberal Education Requirement. You may use courses in your major towards this 12-course requirement. See the 2011/2012 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 4 - Academic Regulations (p. 85) for complete information.

The Faculty of Arts and Science offers Liberal Education 1000 and 2000, specifically designed to introduce first-year students to the wide scope of human knowledge and teach essential university success skills, critical thinking, and integrative thinking (see the 2011/2012 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 14 - Courses, p. 306). LBED 1000 and 2000 may be used toward satisfying the GLER.

Elective: A course that you may choose freely from all those available and applicable to your program. Use courses inside or outside your major, bearing in mind any restrictions that may apply (e.g., a maximum of 20 courses from any one department).