

**Toronto
Metropolitan
University**

**Faculty
of Arts**

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Programs

A leader in innovative programming, exceptional teaching, and groundbreaking research, the Faculty of Arts comprises 14 humanities and social science programs that combine a liberal arts education with TMU's unique brand of relevant, practical learning.

Arts and Contemporary Studies, Bachelor of Arts, Honours

Available Options: Generalist, disciplinary; and interdisciplinary studies streams

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Team-based community projects

Description: Take control of your studies by customizing an interdisciplinary Humanities and Social Sciences degree that challenges you to apply key insights from the past to solve real-world problems of today and tomorrow.

Criminology, Bachelor of Arts, Honours

Available Options: Double Majors with Sociology, Politics and Governance, or History

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Community projects

Description: Think critically about the criminal justice system and its relationship with individuals, professionals, and communities, and explore innovative and creative changes to handing down justice.

English, Bachelor of Arts, Honours

Available Options: Double Major with Philosophy or History. Creative Writing Concentration (new in 2024)

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Co-op; practicums in creative writing, digital creation in a literary context, or writing in the arts

Description: Unleash your imagination and creativity while exploring diverse identities, cultures, and time periods using a variety of media and cultural texts to develop transferable communication, research, and analytical skills.

Environment and Urban Sustainability, Bachelor of Arts

Available Options: Optional concentrations in Environmental Policy; Communities and Sustainability; Environmental Science; Sustainable Design; Environmental Management

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Optional practicum; fieldwork; consulting

Description: Learn how to research and resolve environmental issues facing urban centres and resource-based communities. Facilitate sustainable and equitable futures through integrating knowledge from social, natural and applied sciences. Examine how citizens, corporations and governments resist, embrace and enact eco-friendly ideas and approaches, and affect change.

Geographic Analysis, Bachelor of Arts

Available Options: Four optional concentrations (location analysis, urban analysis, environmental analysis, and geotechnologies).

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Co-op or optional practicum

Description: Explore and analyze the complex interconnections between people and their natural and built environments while preparing for professional workplaces using state-of-the-art technology in geographic information systems (GIS) and remote sensing.





History, Bachelor of Arts, Honors

Available Options: Double Majors with English or Philosophy

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Co-op; internships with museums; teaching assistantships

Description: Explore the complexities of human experience around the globe from ancient societies up to the present, through investigating and questioning historical accomplishments and failures, using documents, artifacts, stories and digital media.

International Economics and Finance, Bachelor of Arts

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Internship placements; local and international work placements; advanced analysis and computer simulations

Description: Explore the interconnectedness of worldwide markets and acquire economic skills that will prepare you to make strategic decisions and to provide advice and generate solutions in business, finance, and government environments.

Language and Intercultural Relations, Bachelor of Arts, Honours

Available Options: Concentrations in language & cognition; translation; or organizational behaviour

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Ethnographic fieldwork in the city; live-actor simulations; applied research projects; study-abroad experiences

Description: Develop linguistic fluency, cultural intelligence, and intercultural empathy that will enhance personal transformation and help you to understand and facilitate communication between cultures while tackling challenges in a wide array of service and business sectors.

Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts

Available Options: Double Major with English or History

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Co-op

Description: Improve critical reasoning, communication, writing skills and cultivate innovative and independent thinking while exploring questions about the meaning of life, the nature of beauty, the foundations of political power, the existence of God, the concepts of right and wrong, and the essence of reality itself and our knowledge of it.

Politics and Governance, Bachelor of Arts, Honours

Available Options: Double Majors with Criminology, History, or Sociology

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Co-op; in-class simulations; community projects; research design and analysis; field experience and placement opportunities; international exchange programs

Description: Study the role of government in society and how it relates to social justice, democracy, citizenship and human rights; who decides local, national and international policy; and how decisions are reached and conflicts resolved.

Public Administration and Governance, Bachelor of Arts, Honours

Available Options: Specialized program options for First Nations administrators

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Optional practicum

Description: A part-time program for public administration professionals in the public, non-profit or private sectors that provides the knowledge and skills necessary to advance careers.

Psychology, Bachelor of Arts

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Applied research projects; labs

Description: Explore the biological foundations and social processes that shed light on why we think, feel and behave the way we do while developing in-demand transferable skills that prepare you for success across many fields.

Sociology, Bachelor of Arts, Honours

Available Options: Double Major with Criminology, History, or Politics and Governance

Experiential Learning Opportunities: Co-op

Description: Understand how society works; explore and dismantle systems of power; and collaborate with communities to envision and create lasting change to systems of power.

Undeclared Arts

Description: A one-year, first-year program that allows you to explore courses across the Humanities and Social Sciences before transferring into a degree program.

Experiential Learning and Curriculum Innovation



Democratic Engagement and Leadership Development

For students deeply passionate about civic engagement and democratic politics, Arts offers two prominent initiatives in civic leadership development: Women in the House and Institute for Democratic Leadership (working title, formerly Institute for Future Legislators). Participants from both programs have the unique opportunity to put the knowledge and skills they acquire into action during learning trips to Ottawa where they participate in mock question periods, caucus meetings, and job shadow political leaders.



Indigenous Knowledge

Yellowhead Institute is an Indigenous-led research and education centre based in the Faculty of Arts. The Institute centres Indigenous philosophy and amplifies Indigenous voices that provide alternatives to settler colonialism in Canada today. Currently, the Faculty of Arts offers over 30 Indigenous-centred courses and expects to launch a new Minor in Indigenous Thought in Fall 2024.



Art by Anna Jane McIntyre

Black Studies

The Black Studies Minor provides students with an interdisciplinary approach to exploring the histories and cultures of Black diasporas, ideologies of anti-Black racism, themes of Black resistance to oppression and exploitation. Students will explore the range of political strategies and community-based mobilization tactics Black activists have employed to counter systemic and institutionalized oppressions and fight for social justice.



Arts Co-op

Co-op is a career-integrated learning program that combines academic studies with paid, full-time work terms in the public, private and non-profit sectors. By 2025, Arts students from all 14 programs will have full access to co-op education.

Student Experience and Student Life

The Faculty of Arts extends unwavering support to over 5000 students fostering their academic potential and nurturing engagement through a comprehensive range of services, including:

- Academic Support and Coaching
- Black Student Success Programming
- Community Engaged and Experiential Learning
- Global Learning and International Exchange Opportunities
- Career Counseling
- Personal Counseling
- Student Societies and Student Leadership Development

