

Canadian Studies

BA, iBA | www.glendon.yorku.ca/canadian-studies

In the only Canadian Studies program in the country to offer courses in both English and French, you'll get the opportunity to study national issues from a variety of disciplines, including history, geography, law, political science and sociology. You can choose to focus on one of three pathways – Human Rights & Social Justice, Community & Civic Engagement in Toronto and Migration, Multiculturalism & Settlement – each highlighting a different aspect of the Canadian experience. You'll learn from and study alongside leading authorities on Canadian topics in small classes. And after graduation, your bilingual degree will give you a competitive edge in the job market.



"This program challenged my preconceived notions of Canada, its relationship with Indigenous peoples and its role on the global stage. The professors and staff went above and beyond to stimulate my intellectual curiosity and prepare me for life after Glendon. The enduring relationships I forged with fellow students allowed us to tackle topics at the heart of our country. I'm honoured and grateful to have graduated from Canadian Studies."

— Andrew W., BA' 18 graduate



Boost Your Major

- Become a **Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies Fellow**
- Select one of three paths available: Human Rights & Social Justice, Community & Civic Engagement in Toronto or Migration, Multiculturalism & Settlement
- Do a work placement in an elective course

Skills You'll Earn

- Understand the cultural, societal and political economic issues dominating debate in Canada and the growing importance of multiculturalism and Indigenous activism
- Examine local issues and how they fit into broader trends
- Learn about specific laws, policies and procedures
- Critically analyze problems, think creatively, discover relevant resources and make sound decisions

Career Paths

As a Canadian Studies graduate, you are well-equipped to become a leader and changemaker. You can choose to pursue grad studies or obtain additional qualifications. Here are a few examples:

- Community advocate or organizer
- Diplomat
- Immigration officer
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Non-profit administrator
- Social justice activist
- Political advisor/consultant
- Public policy researcher
- Teacher



Your Quest Starts Here

Your Path To Success

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	First Year	Middle Years	Final Year	Other Skills You'll Earn
Academics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend an enrolment-planning workshop with the Academic Advising team Consult your program requirements in the Academic Calendar Start or continue your language journey and visit our language-learning support centres Enrol in <i>Understanding Contemporary Canada</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrol in <i>Citizenship and Immigration in Canada</i> and <i>Canada in Global Perspective</i> B.Ed. students doing major/minor in Canadian Studies can use credits toward teachable subjects Request a progress report and meet with your academic advisor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrol in <i>Decolonising Canada</i> Plan for your bilingual or trilingual certification; apply for the exam Get your degree audit 	<p>Communication, Data Gathering & Organizational Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gather research from varied sources, and process online tools, databases and repositories Gain knowledge about specific laws, policies and procedures Present thoughts clearly and intelligently, both verbally and in written communication Develop negotiating skills and mediate conflict by actively listening and exercising tact and diplomacy Critically analyze problems, think creatively and make sound decisions Clearly explain complex ideas and apply complex theoretical concepts to everyday practice and professional dilemmas <p>Management & Teamwork</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze information presented by peers; constructively support or challenge peer ideas in order to achieve a project's intended result Work effectively in groups; partake in decision-making, lead and contribute to the ultimate success of the team and task Debate, persuade, mediate and present thoughts and opinions Recognize and incorporate potential solutions or applications to problems
Get Involved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in orientation activities like JumpStart and Frosh Week Join a club, such as Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots – Glendon Chapter Visit the Salon francophone or ESL Open Learning Centre Meet the Student Life Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Become a Peer Mentor Develop your leadership skills in the Student Union Represent students' voices in university governance and/or committees Participate in the Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies activities Apply to become a Robarts Centre Fellow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spread the word about clubs, organizations and events you have enjoyed and have helped you get connected on campus Become a Glendon Ambassador 	
Gain Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact the Experiential Education office to find opportunities Develop your digital media skills by creating projects with the Glendon Digital Media Lab Optimize your experience and articulate your skills through Becoming YU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply to the Research Apprenticeship Program Pursue your passion project in G21, Glendon's inquiry-based incubator, or GENIAL for francophone and bilingual startups Help a local organization, such as Toronto Historical Association, Samara Canada or the Institute for Canadian Citizenship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work on practical challenges by enrolling in the Cross-Campus Capstone Classroom (C4) Do a work placement in an elective course 	
Think Globally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn another language – 20 languages are taught at Glendon and Keele Campuses, including French, Spanish and Ojibwe! Develop your intercultural competencies Enrol in Canadian Studies as a bilingual or trilingual international Bachelor of Arts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider an exchange abroad or with one of our partner universities in Quebec Enrol in <i>Français par expérience</i> to expand your knowledge in French and of the francophone culture by doing a work placement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend the Glendon Global debates Volunteer with organizations that focus on international issues or diversity in Canada 	
Plan Your Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build your transferable skills by participating in workshops about skills and career development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore career options and learn more about the skills required Discover career opportunities by connecting with alumni Book an appointment with the Career Centre to start working on your resumé, cover letters and interview skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend Glendon's Bilingual Job Fair and networking events Attend a workshop on grad school applications Join a professional association in your field, such as the Association for Canadian Studies, International Council for Canadian Studies or Canadian Studies Network 	
				Admission Requirements
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ontario Secondary School Diploma with an average* in the mid to high 70s Minimum six 4U; 4M; or DU courses, including 4U English (ENG4U) or FRA4U A combination of U and M courses; OACs are accepted 4U French is recommended** <p>* Average is calculated based on the top six 4U; 4M or DU courses. ** Knowledge of both English and French is not an admission requirement for most of our programs, provided you are proficient in either one of them</p>
				Get In Touch
				<p>Domestic students: liaison@glendon.yorku.ca International students: international@glendon.yorku.ca Attend one of our events!</p> <p>f t in @ GlendonCampus</p>