

Minor in Black Studies

Open to all students in the university, the Minor in Black Studies aims to develop students' knowledge of the issues facing people from the Black diaspora. The Minor will encompass historical, theoretical, and socio-cultural topics, varying from Black Feminist Thought to contemporary Black cultural practices in Canada and elsewhere. All program courses may be credited toward other undergraduate programs as electives.

For more information visit: <https://www.uwo.ca/gsws>

Creative Arts and Production

Western's new Creative Arts and Production (CAP) program is a unique, student-centred option that focuses on creativity, creative practice, and collaboration. As a CAP student, you will be registered in one of three home faculties – the Faculty of Arts & Humanities, the Faculty of Information and Media Studies, or the Don Wright Faculty of Music – while taking advantage of expertise and resources across all three faculties. You will work towards a degree that integrates both theory and production as you select from a broad range of elective courses within arts, media studies, and music.

For more information visit: <https://cap.uwo.ca/>



Honours Specialization in Creative Writing and English Language & Literature

This exciting program combines the scholarly vigour of Western's internationally ranked English literature program with the creative potential of a wide variety of writing courses. Students can pursue a program of study and practice in a variety of writing genres, interpretive method, and literary studies. Classes are taught by professional writers in a small-class, workshop setting. Students can choose this program by completing the admission requirements and submitting a portfolio in their first year.

For more information visit: westernu.ca/writing

Internships

Available to Arts & Humanities students entering third year and beyond, internships relating to your fields of study provide resumé-building skills and practical knowledge that allow you to graduate career-ready. Explore internships in museums, galleries, publishing, theatre, and more!

Arts & Humanities and Honours Business Administration

This five-year program combining a BA Honours with an HBA from the Ivey Business School is a unique blend of a strong arts foundation and world-class business education preparing graduates to become leaders in a wide array of industries, including entertainment, publishing, art, travel, fashion, tech, finance, and many more.



Go Global

Arts & Humanities offers study abroad, exchanges, study tours, and experiential learning courses in unique destinations worldwide. Study internationally and choose from more than 135 universities in 39 countries. Connect your classroom experience with real-world opportunities by exploring theatre in New York or London UK, uncovering history through an archaeological dig at Vindolanda, or strengthening your language skills in France, Spain, Italy, Cuba and more. The opportunities are endless!

Student Clubs

Get involved in our many student clubs and share your passion for academics, social planning and philanthropy. The Arts & Humanities Students' Council provides great opportunities to get involved in community outreach, art shows, drama productions, student publications (both academic and creative) and more! They have also brought stellar guests such as Margaret Atwood, Maya Angelou, Rupi Kaur and Cameron Bailey to campus.

- Arts & Humanities Students' Council
- Undergraduate Philosophy Club (School of Thought)
- Western Classics Society
- Western Undergraduate Film Society (WUFS)
- Undergraduate English Society (The Coterie)
- Iconoclast Collective
- Women's Studies Students' Council
- Visual Arts Student Association (VASA)
- German Club
- Italian Students' Association
- Spanish and Latin-American Student Association
- French Club



An Arts & Humanities degree is valuable

Employers love Arts & Humanities graduates from Western because they have great problem-solving skills, communicate well and easily adapt to many different situations. Undergraduate degrees in arts and humanities are excellent preparation for entry into graduate school or professional programs like Audiology, Journalism, Law, Teaching and even Medicine.

92% of our grads get jobs within six months of graduating!

\$ Fund Your Studies
Every year the Faculty of Arts & Humanities has over \$1.5 million in awards, scholarships, and bursaries available to incoming and continuing students.



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PROGRAMS

English and Writing Studies

In English and Writing Studies we investigate the profound cultural power of literature, film, and other forms of expression, and the theory and practice of creative and expository writing. Our combination of small classes and inspiring, award-winning professors provides the perfect setting to learn to write persuasively, think creatively, and hone your research skills in one or more of five areas: literary studies; theatre and performance studies; creative writing, rhetoric and professional communication; film history, theory, and production; and medieval studies. In their exploration of a diverse range of cultural productions, English and Writing Studies students discuss historical issues and current ideas that shape the ways we see the world. They develop communication, creativity, and critical-thinking skills that are highly valued professional assets across a wide variety of occupations and career pathways, including business, law, teaching, journalism, media, publishing and the creative arts, and public service.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Disney Dream Factory; Page, Stage, and Screen; Performance Beyond Theatres; Write Now! Writers on Writing; The Many Faces of Harry Potter; TV or Not TV: Writing for the Television Industry; True Crime: Writing Podcasts and Purplish Prose; Nature Writing: You're a Strange Animal; Arts for a Damaged Planet; U.S. Literature and Civil Rights.

GET INVOLVED: Take to the stage: participate in our Fall drama or Summer Shakespeare productions; work with world-renowned theatre practitioners and experience the back-stage world of the Stratford Festival. Lights, camera – action: produce and screen your own films for your peers during our popular Western Student Film Festival. Be creative: pursue a module in Creative Writing, workshoping your projects with experienced authors; discuss your work one-on-one with our celebrated Writer-in-Residence; publish in our undergraduate journal Occasus.



Languages and Cultures

Immerse yourself in a multicultural environment while learning languages and exploring cultures. From a true beginner to a heritage-speaker, all are welcome in the Department of Languages and Cultures.

- Take courses in Arabic, Comparative Literature and Culture, Digital Humanities, German, Intercultural Communications, Italian, Japanese, Persian, Spanish, and World Literatures and Cultures.
- Continue your studies through flexible programs and modules in Digital Humanities, German, Intercultural Communications, Italian, and Spanish.
- Enhance your training in languages and cultures through contact with global media such as international film, diverse literatures, and popular culture from around the world.
- Apply what you know in community-engaged learning and study abroad experiences.
- Utilize your language abilities, communication skills, and cultural knowledge for success in the interconnected global world in which we live and work.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Bridging Classroom and Community: Languages and Culture in Action; Digital Creativity; Exploring Hispanic Cultures, From East to West, North to South: The Roots of Today's Global World; Germany's TV Detectives; International Experiential Learning: Havana – 500 years of History; Language and Society in Hispanic, Canadian and Asian Cultures; Made in Italy: Business, Fashion, Sports, and the Arts; Studies at Rondine: City of Peace in Italy; The Metaverse; Vienna: City of Dreams; World Cultures, Global Screens; Internships.

GET INVOLVED: Cultural celebrations, conversation groups, international film series, community-engaged learning, and opportunities to study abroad in Spain, Latin America, Italy, or Germany.

French Studies

By strengthening their proficiency in both of Canada's official languages, French courses allow students to enrich their cultural and linguistic competence and awareness. The Department of French Studies offers a selection of courses conceived to enhance students' ability in French and deepen their knowledge of – and insight into – the richly diverse traditions of French and Francophone cultures.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Introduction to French from Beginner to University levels; Culture and Literature in Society; General Linguistics in French; Speaking, Reading, Writing Texts.

GET INVOLVED: Participate in the annual play staged by our successful in-house troupe "Theatre L'On Donne"; try the French Drop-In Language Centre; explore study abroad possibilities through one of several exchange programmes in both Canada and France.

“THE FACULTY OF ARTS & HUMANITIES IS AT THE CORE OF THE UNIVERSITY. Our teaching and research span the vital elements of our human experience – language, literature, art, film, visual culture, the world of ideas and self-understanding. This is where we encounter our humanity most directly, in all its complexity and richness. Taught by award-winning, internationally renowned teachers and researchers, our students engage with the most fascinating subject matter, and acquire important skills in critical comprehension and reasoning, as well as the capacity for communication and expression in a range of media. We invite you to explore the opportunities here. —Michael Milde, Dean, Faculty of Arts & Humanities”

Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies

Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies is a dynamic field that focuses on issues of social justice, particularly in relation to gender and sexuality. A broadly interdisciplinary field, Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies offers a wide variety of courses; these may be combined for degrees in Gender and Women's Studies, in Sexuality Studies, and in Feminist, Queer, and Critical Race Theory. Course offerings include feminist theory; sexuality studies and queer theory; transgender studies; gender and race; intersectionality; women, law, and social change; gender and health; sex education; gender and fashion; gender and literature; gender and environment; and women and popular culture.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Women and Popular Culture; Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies; Introduction to Equity.

Classical Studies

Classical Studies address questions of who we are today by exploring the foundational cultures of ancient Greece and Rome. Contemporary discussions about justice, beauty and human nature are all rooted in antiquity. Our interdisciplinary approach embraces ancient language, literature, history, philosophy, art and archaeology, and makes for an ideal component of a double major. Many courses require no knowledge of Greek or Latin, but we also offer courses in both ancient languages at all levels.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Sport and Recreation in the Ancient World; Classical Mythology; Egyptian Art and Architecture; two-week-long study tours to Rome and Greece.

Philosophy

Philosophy at Western ranks among the top programs in the world, and is among the very best in the country. It is home to award-winning researchers and instructors, the internationally renowned Rotman Institute of Philosophy, and the Centre for

Digital Philosophy. The study of philosophy helps students improve analytical and critical reading, writing and reasoning skills through an examination of the works of historical and contemporary philosophers. The ultimate goal of this study is to wrestle with issues fundamental to ourselves and the world we live in, including



such questions as: what is real? what is knowledge? what ought I to do? While the study of philosophy is interesting in its own right, completing a philosophy degree greatly enhances the prospects of students wishing to pursue further studies in law, public policy, business, education or medicine, among other disciplines.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Ethics, Law and Politics; Philosophy and Artificial Intelligence; Einstein for Everyone; Ancient Philosophy.

GET INVOLVED: Join the undergraduate philosophy club School of Thought and participate in colloquia, conferences and special events.

Linguistics

Linguistics is the scientific and humanistic study of language. This interdisciplinary program will familiarize you with the analytical tools needed to understand sound, word, meaning and sentence structures, as well as historical and social variation in language. Through Linguistics you will learn about the applications

of linguistic theory in areas such as language revitalization, second language acquisition, communicative disorders and psycholinguistics. In addition, studying Linguistics lets you explore provocative and interdisciplinary topics such as: the 'innateness' of human language, language variation and change, individual and social views of language, language ideologies, language and the mind, and languages of Canada.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Second Language Acquisition; Wonder of Words; Language, Gender and Sexuality.

GET INVOLVED: Take part and present your research at our annual Western Interdisciplinary Student Symposium on Language Research (WISSLR).

Visual Arts

Make artwork, delve into the study of art history and visual culture, and immerse yourself in hands-on museum and curatorial experience. Our state-of-the-art facilities and studio spaces include modern classrooms, a sculpture workshop, painting, photography and printmaking studios, a 2,100 sq. ft. art gallery, a digital resource library, and the Cohen Explorations Lab – a 3D printer and digital art maker-space. Students interested in pursuing a studio-based degree must submit a portfolio for consideration regarding direct entry when applying, or may take a Foundation studio course as a means of possible entrance into the BFA in second year.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS: Photography and Social Transformation; Race and Gender in the Americas; Sound and Image; Making Art with Environmental Awareness; Greatest Shows on Earth: Exhibitions That Changed Art History; Curating the Anthropocene; Video and Animation Art.

GET INVOLVED: Gain real-world experience through community-engaged learning opportunities in the Arts. Complete an internship at an art institution or in a creative industry for course credit. Organize an exhibition at the Artlab Gallery as part of our Museum and Curatorial Studies Practicum course. Travel on field trips with your professors and classmates to galleries and museums to explore the art scenes in cities such as Montreal, New York and Chicago.

The School for Advanced Studies in the Arts & Humanities (SASAH)

This immersive and interdisciplinary program accepts 25 undergraduate students each year.

SASAH IS UNIQUE IN CANADA. This advanced liberal arts program delivers a transformative education that includes interdisciplinary studies, second language acquisition, experiential learning, engagement with the digital world, and international travel and exchange. Our goal is to educate international citizens and research leaders, people who can creatively engage with global challenges and twenty-first-century opportunities. Students will be considered for entrance based on a portfolio combining academic work, community engagement and other extracurricular activities.

Applications are due in February. Check website for details: westernu.ca/arts/sasah

CLASSICAL STUDIES
• Classical Studies
• Greek and Latin*
• Greek and Latin Literature*
• Greek and Roman Archaeology*
• Greek and Roman History*
• Greek*
• Latin*

CREATIVE ARTS AND PRODUCTION

ENGLISH AND WRITING STUDIES
• Creative Writing*
• Creative Writing and English Language & Literature
• English for Teachers*
• English Language and Literature
• General English*
• Medieval Studies
• Page, Stage and Screen*
• Popular Literature and Cultural Studies*
• Theatre Studies
• Writing Studies*

FRENCH STUDIES
• French Studies

FILM STUDIES
• Film Studies
• General Cinema Studies*

GENDER, SEXUALITY, AND WOMEN'S STUDIES
• Black Studies*
• Feminist, Queer & Critical Race Theory*
• Gender and Women's Studies
• Global Gender Studies
• Sexuality Studies

LANGUAGES AND CULTURES
• Comparative Literature and Culture
• Digital Humanities*
• German Language and Culture
• Intercultural Communications (Arabic/Japanese)*
• Italian Language and Culture
• Spanish

LINGUISTICS
• Linguistics

PHILOSOPHY
• Ethics*
• Philosophy
• Philosophy of Science*

SCHOOL FOR ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE ARTS & HUMANITIES
• Arts and Humanities (SASAH)

VISUAL ARTS
• Art History
• Art History and Museum Studies
• Art History and Studio Arts

DEGREES

Bachelor of Arts (BA); Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) *Available as a minor only; cannot be completed as a degree alone.

Certificates and Diplomas

- Certificate in Art History
- Certificate in Business French
- Certificate in Ethics
- Certificates in Intercultural Communications for:
 - Arabic
 - German
 - Italian
 - Japanese
 - Spanish
- Certificate in Museum and Curatorial Studies
- Certificate in Photography
- Certificate in Practical French
- Certificate in Practical German
- Certificate in Practical Italian
- Certificate in Practical Spanish
- Certificate in Professional Communication
- Certificates in Studio Arts
- Certificate in Theatre Arts
- Certificate in Writing
- Diploma in Business French
- Diploma in Ethics
- Diploma in Practical French
- Diploma in Writing
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