

Pre-2009
 THE HONOURS B.A. DEGREE - THE BASICS
Minimum Faculty Degree Requirements

| REQUIREMENT | DESCRIPTION |
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| Number of Credits | A minimum of 120 credits successfully completed. |
| Minimum Grade Point Average | A minimum cumulative grade point average of 5.00 (C+). |
| General Education Requirement | <p>24 credits in accordance with the following: One 1000-level 9 credit Foundations course, in either the Division of Humanities or the Division of Social Science; One 1000-level 6 credit course in the Division of Natural Science or in the Department of Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Atmospheric Science, or Physics; One 2000-level 9 credit Foundations course, in either the Division of Humanities or the Division of Social Science. If the 1000-level 9 credit Foundations course is taken in the Division of Humanities, then the 2000-level 9 credit Foundations course must be taken in the Division of Social Science (and vice versa). Note: Students may complete a maximum of three 9 credit Foundations courses for degree credit. Students who need to complete more than three Foundations courses in order to fulfill program (major or minor) course requirements may do so with permission of the relevant program coordinator or undergraduate director.</p> |
| Breadth Requirement | <p>Will be satisfied by successfully completing the General Education/Foundations courses described above. (Breadth requirement is described below.) The Breadth requirement must be successfully completed before graduation and requires at least 6 credits from each of the following areas: Area I: English, French Studies, History, Humanities, Languages, Linguistics, Philosophy, Writing. Area II: Anthropology, Criminology, Economics, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, Social Science, Sociology.</p> |
| Major Requirement | <p>A minimum number of Major credits for each program type as follows: Specialized Honours: normally 54 credits Honours: normally 42 credits Double Major/Unlinked: normally 42 credits in each major Double Major/Linked: normally 36 credits in each major Major/Minor: normally 42 credits in the major & 30 credits in the minor</p> <p><u>It is very important to consult the Departmental/Divisional supplemental calendars for major program requirements since there are specific and/or additional major requirements.</u></p> |

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| Elective Requirement | <p>A minimum of 18 credits in accordance with the following: not a major course, (or a course which is cross-listed with a major course; or a course offered by the major department which is not counted towards the major; or a course outside the major department which is a specified major requirement); not a general education course which has been used to satisfy the general education requirement. Extra general education courses will count as electives. <u>Not applicable to honours double major & major/minor program types.</u></p> |
| Upper-Level Requirement | <p>Faculty Requirement: A minimum of 36 credits at the 3000 or 4000-level including 18 credits at the 4000-level. Major 4000-level Requirement: Normally 12 credits in the Major or in each Major and 6 credits in the Minor. <u>Specific program requirements vary. It is important that you consult the Departmental/Divisional supplemental calendars for upper-level requirements specific to your program.</u></p> |
| Residence Requirement | <p>Overall Requirement: At least 30 credits must be taken at York University*. Major Requirement: At least HALF (50%) of each Arts Major/Minor requirement must be taken in the Faculty of Arts (In-Faculty)**. (The Major/Minor requirement will vary in accordance with the number of credits required by each Major/Minor). Note: The minimum number of Major/Minor In-Faculty credits may exceed the minimum overall number depending on the program. *York University courses are offered by any Faculty at York. **In-Faculty courses are offered exclusively by the Faculty of Arts. Courses taken at other Faculties, (eg. Atkinson), or other Universities are Out-of-Faculty.</p> |
| Repeating Passed or Failed Courses | <p>A passed or a failed course may be repeated once for degree credit. When a course is repeated for degree credit, the second grade will be the grade of record and the only grade calculated in the grade point average. A repeated course will be credited only once towards satisfaction of degree credit requirements. The record of both the first and second time the course was taken will appear on the transcript, with the first course designated as “No Credit Retained” (NCR). The restrictions regarding repeating a passed or failed course also apply to cross-listed courses and course exclusions. (i.e. courses deemed to have significant content overlap)</p> |

IN ORDER TO GRADUATE with an Honours BA Program degree, students will need to satisfy the above requirements set out by the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (formerly Faculty of Arts.)

Please direct any questions or concerns regarding these requirements to an academic advisor in the Centre for Continuing (formerly Faculty of Arts Student Academic Centre) 150 Atkinson College – Telephone 416-736-5022.