

DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMS

If students are pursuing a B.A. & Sc., other than those registered in the Foundation Program, they are required to have an approved program stream (multi-track, joint honours, interfaculty, honours), and to select their courses in each term with a view to timely completion of their degree and program requirements. Students must complete one of the program streams described below.

Multi-Track

To recognize the diversity of student backgrounds and interests, and the multiple routes to understanding provided by a modern university, the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science offer a 90-credit multi-track program that includes a major concentration in one faculty complemented by a major concentration in the other faculty (see below):

Option

- Arts Major Concentration (36 credits) + Science Major Concentration (36–38 credits) (see Overview of Programs Offered for a list of programs open to students in the B.A. & Sc.)
- The required integrative course BASC 201 Arts and Science Integrative Topics. (3 credits)

Regulations

- Programs offered by Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics, and Psychology are considered Science programs for the purpose of the B.A. & Sc. Exceptionally, students may take a Geography program in both Arts and Science.
- Students will include within the 36 credits of their major concentrations any university-level (200 or above) prerequisites to required courses within their programs.
- No course may fulfill the requirements for more than one program.

Definitions

- *Units*: academic departments or administrative equivalents
- *Programs*: lists of required and complementary courses (including university-level prerequisites for required courses) prepared and maintained by units
- *Major Concentration*: a program of 36–38 credits taken from a unit's course offerings

Joint Honours Program

If students want to study at the honours level in two disciplines, they can combine a joint honours program component from an Arts discipline with one from a Science discipline; see Joint Honours Programs for a list of available programs. Each joint honours component consists of a maximum of 36 required and complementary credits (not including program prerequisites). In cases where a minimum of 24 credits are in courses normally restricted to honours students, the total of required and complementary credits may be as few as 30.

To choose the joint honours option, students must meet the GPA/cGPA requirements set out on the Honours and First-Class Honours for Faculties of Arts and Science (including B.A. & Sc.) page.

Option

- Arts Joint Honours (36 credits) + Science Joint Honours (36 credits) (see Overview of Programs Offered for a list of programs open to students in the B. A. & Sc.)
- The required integrative course BASC 201 Arts and Science Integrative Topics. (3 credits)
- 13–15 credits of electives

Regulations

- Programs offered by Mathematics and Psychology are considered Science programs for the purpose of the B.A. & Sc.
- Students will include within the 36 credits of their major concentrations any university-level (200 or above) prerequisites to required courses within their programs.
- No course may fulfil the requirements for more than one program.

Interfaculty Program

An interfaculty program is an approved selection of courses constituting a concentration in an intellectually coherent and interfaculty field of studies. These courses must include approved selections from the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science and possibly other faculties. See Interfaculty Programs for a list of approved programs. Students in the B.A. & Sc. who complete an approved interfaculty program may also complete an approved minor concentration or a minor offered by the Faculty of Arts or the Faculty of Science. Students must complete at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Arts and at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Science.

Option

- Interfaculty Program (54 credits) (see Overview of Programs Offered for a list of programs open to students in the B.A. & Sc.)
- The integrative course BASC 201 Arts and Science Integrative Topics. (3 credits) is recommended
- 36 credits of electives

Regulations

- Students must complete at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Arts and at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Science
- No course may fulfil the requirements for more than one program

Honours Program

Honours programs demand a high degree of specialization and require students to satisfy specific departmental and Faculty Honours requirements while maintaining good Academic Standing. They are designed to prepare students for graduate study. Students in the B.A. & Sc. who complete an approved honours program may also complete an approved minor concentration or a minor offered by the Faculty of Arts or the Faculty of Science. Students must complete at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Arts and at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Science. See Honours Programs for a list of available programs.

Option

- Honours Program (60 credits) (see Overview of Programs Offered for a list of programs open to students in the B.A. & Sc.)
- The integrative course BASC 201 Arts and Science Integrative Topics. (3 credits) is recommended
- Minimum cGPA at graduation of 3.00 (minimum cGPA at graduation of 3.50 for first-class honours)

- Some departments have additional requirements which must be met before students are recommended for honours or first-class honours
- 30 credits of electives

Regulations

- Students must complete at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Arts and at least 21 credits in the Faculty of Science
- No course may fulfil the requirements for more than one program

To choose the honours option, students must meet the GPA/cGPA requirements set out on the Honours and First-Class Honours for Faculties of Arts and Science (including B.A. & Sc.) page.