German Studies (GER)

Encompassing subjects ranging from language, literature and film studies to intellectual and cultural history, urban studies, political science, memory studies, art history, and women's studies, our German Studies program is designed to cater to York's diverse population. You will also have the opportunity to study abroad with Canada’s best range of exchange programs.

Sample First Year Schedule

Your first year classes in German Studies will consist of a mixture of courses within your major, general education courses and elective courses outside your major.

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<th>Course Type</th>
<th>Course(s)</th>
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<td>Major Course</td>
<td>A German Language Course (GER 1000 - Elementary German is recommended)</td>
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<td>General Education Course</td>
<td>Any approved 1000 level course from the Humanities or Social Sciences</td>
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<td>General Education Course</td>
<td>Any approved course from the Natural Sciences</td>
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<td>Course Outside German Studies</td>
<td>Any course that is not a German Studies or general education course</td>
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<td>Elective Course</td>
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Program Options

With German Studies, you have the option of taking another program within the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies as a Double Major or pursuing another program as a Minor. German Studies can also be taken as a minor.

Double Major Options Include:

- Anthropology
- Communication Studies
- English
- European Studies
- French Studies
- History
- International Development Studies
- Italian Studies
- + many more!

Minor Options Include:

- Anthropology
- English
- European Studies
- French Studies
- History
- International Development Studies
- Italian Studies
- Jewish Studies
- + many more!

The York Promise

York is here to support you throughout your unique university journey. Beyond academic achievement, we strive to enrich your student experience through personal and professional development by offering:

- **Career-Focused Services**
  - Career advising, career fairs and networking opportunities to help sharpen your professional edge.

- **Academic Support**
  - Learning skills workshops, outstanding libraries, academic accommodations, transition programs and academic advising services designed to help you every step of the way.

- **Social & Leadership Development Programs**
  - A vibrant social scene with more than 300 clubs and organizations to enhance student life, and help you develop soft skills you can bring to the table in your future career.

Enzo Flores Montoya
Third Year Student
German Studies

“The professors in the German Studies program are very approachable and they create a positive environment that is highly conducive to learning. Through the interactions I’ve had with them, I have grown as a student and a person. I’ve also had the opportunity to study abroad which was an amazing experience!”
Your Degree Pathway

A degree in German Studies requires the completion of 90 Credits for a Bachelor's Degree (three years) or 120 Credits for an Honours Degree (four years). Your courses will consist of Major, General Education, and Elective Courses.

First Year

First year will introduce you to the university environment, provide you with general education courses, and allow options for you to study courses aligned with your own interests.

- **German Studies Courses:** Elementary German
- **General Education Courses:** Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students). Humanities options include courses taught by German Studies faculty, including Nationalism, Authority and Resistance: Perspectives in German Culture and Society and The Fairy Tale: From Grimm to Disney
- **Elective Courses:** Your choice of courses outside of German Studies

Second Year

In your second year, you will continue your development of the fundamentals in German Studies.

- **German Studies Courses:** Intermediate German, German Cinema and Hollywood: Competition and Cultural Exchange
- **General Education Courses:** Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)
- **Elective Courses:** Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections

Third Year

Your third year in German Studies will allow you to explore specific interests in the field.

- **German Studies Course Options:** Advanced Level German, Levels IA and IB, German Romanticism: Tradition and Revolution, Recent German Film and Culture, Screening the Past: Rewriting German History in Film, Germany and the Global Imaginary + many more
- **Elective Courses:** Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections. Choose to study abroad with one of our many partner institutions in German-speaking Europe.

Fourth Year

In your fourth and final year, your courses in German Studies will be designed to meet your specific interests.

- **German Studies Course Options:** Berlin in German Literature and Culture, Utopias and Nightmares: Visions of the Future in Modern German Culture, German History and Memory in Comics from around the Globe, Germany in Transit: Nation, Migration and Cultural Production + many more
- **Elective Courses:** These courses can include additional German Studies courses or further courses of interest at the upper level

Your Degree!