

Law and Society (LASO)

The broadly interdisciplinary approach taken in our Law and Society program opens legal studies up to a wide range of explorations, honing your research and analytical skills, no matter which career path you might choose to pursue after graduation. You will become part of one of the largest and oldest programs of its kind in North America while also establishing a solid foundation in the liberal arts to prepare you for graduate studies or a future career.

Sample First Year Schedule

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

Course Type	Course(s)	Credits
Major Course	AP/SOCI 1375 - Introductory Socio-Legal Studies	3.00
General Education Course	Any approved 1000 level course from the Humanities or Social Sciences	6.00 or 9.00
General Education Course	Any approved course from the Natural Sciences	6.00
Course Outside Law and Society	Any course that is not a Law and Society course or general education course	3.00 or 6.00
Elective Course	Any course for which you meet the prerequisite requirements	3.00
Total		30.00 (maximum)

Program Options

With Law and Society, 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.

Double Major Options Include:

Anthropology	Philosophy
Criminology	Political Science
Health and Society	Sociology
International Development Studies	+ many more!

Minor Options Include:

Anthropology	Political Science
Health and Society	Public Administration
International Development Studies	Sociology
Philosophy	+ 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.



Felecia Falconer
Third Year Student
Law and Society

"In the Law and Society program, I have been encouraged to pursue independent thought rather than simply repeating what I've heard in a lecture or read in my textbooks. This has allowed me to voice my own opinions on complex topics and improve my critical thinking skills."

Your Degree Pathway

A degree in Law and Society requires the completion of 120 Credits and is typically completed over four academic 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.



Law and Society Courses: Introduction to Socio-Legal Studies

General Education Courses: Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)

Elective Courses: Your choice of courses outside of Law and Society

Second Year

In your second year, you will continue your development of the fundamentals in Law and Society.



Law and Society Courses: You will investigate the core concepts involved in Law and Society

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 Law and Society will allow you to explore specific interests in the field.



Law and Society Course Options: Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Disability and Law, Social Justice and Law, Privacy and the Law + many more

Elective Courses: Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections

Fourth Year

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



Law and Society Course Options: Indigenous Peoples & Law, Social Dimensions of Criminal Law, Law and Sexuality + many more

Elective Courses: These courses can include additional Law and Society courses or further courses of interest at the upper level



Your Degree!