

# Urban Studies

(URST)

Gain real world perspectives and theoretical knowledge as you investigate the complex relationship between political institutions, economic systems, ecological processes, physical structures, social relations and cultural understandings.

## Sample First Year Schedule

Your first year classes in Urban Studies 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/SOSC 1733 - World of Cities: Journey Through Urban Space and Time	6.00
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 Urban Studies	Any course that is not an Urban Studies 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 Urban 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. Urban Studies can also be taken as a minor.

### Double Major Options Include:

Criminology  
English  
Geography  
International Development Studies  
Law and Society  
Political Science  
Sociology  
+ many more!

### Minor Options Include:

Anthropology  
Economics  
Geography  
International Development Studies  
Political Science  
Sociology  
Work and Labour 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.



**Keisha Fournier**  
Fourth Year Student  
Urban Studies

"What I like best about Urban Studies is the diversity in course selections. With these choices, I am able to truly identify which stream I'm most interested in and would like to focus on. The professors all have field-related experience that enriches the course material and brings the words of the textbook to life."

# Your Degree Pathway

A degree in Urban 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.



**Urban Studies Courses:** World of Cities: Journey Through Urban Space and Time

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

**Elective Courses:** Your choice of courses outside of Urban Studies

## Second Year

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



**Urban Studies Courses:** City Lives and City Forms

**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 Urban Studies will allow you to explore specific interests in the field.



**Urban Studies Course Options:** Urban Analysis I and II (required), Cities and Climate Change, The Urban Professional, Urban Transportation, Introduction to Urban Design + 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 Urban Studies will be designed to meet your specific interests.



**Urban Studies Course Options:** Urban Studies Seminar (required), Urban Field Experience, Seminar in Urban Theory + many more

**Elective Courses:** These courses can include additional Urban Studies courses or further courses of interest at the upper level



## Your Degree!