

# FIRST-YEAR COURSE SELECTION

Welcome to the **Faculty of Arts**! We are excited to be part of this academic journey with you. We know that selecting your courses for the first time can be stressful, but don't worry, just follow the steps below and remember that we are here to help you every step of the way.



## SELECT YOUR MAJOR

The Faculty of Arts offers 21 different majors

As a first-year student, you are encouraged to **select a major** at the start of your academic journey.

- Already have a **designated major**? Find your major below and register for your required courses
- **Still undecided**? Please see the note at the bottom.

### Ancient Studies (AR, HI)

**TWO OF** AR104, AR105, HI121

### Anthropology (AN) \*

**TWO OF** AN100, AN110, AR101, CS100, GS101, KS100, RE100, SY101, WS100

### Archaeology and Heritage Studies (AR)

**BOTH** AR100, AR102

### Communication Studies (CS)

**BOTH** CS100, CS101

### Cultural Studies (KS) \*

**BOTH** KS100, KS101

### English (EN)

**TWO OF** EN111, EN112, EN119, EN165

\*\*For students in the Sussex, please consult the registration guide

### Film Studies (FS)

**BOTH** FS100, FS105

### French (FR)

**EITHER** FR101 and FR102 OR FR150 and FR151 OR FR250 and FR251

\*\*Consult the [French Course Registration guide](#) to determine your courses

### Global Studies (GS)

**BOTH** GS101, GS102

### History (HS)

**TWO OF** HI109, HI110, HI112, HI114, HI121, HI123, HI125, HI127, HI128, HI132, HI198

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### International Education Studies (INED)

**ALL OF** GS101, GS102, INED103, INED104, WS100

**TWO** non-English language courses

### Languages

**EITHER** SP101 and SP102 OR SP201 OR SP250

**EITHER** FR101 and FR102 OR FR150 and FR151 OR FR250 and FR251

\*\*Contact the Languages and Literatures department at [langandlitadvising@wlu.ca](mailto:langandlitadvising@wlu.ca) before registering

### Medieval and Medievalism Studies (ML) \*

**ALL OF** ML100

**ONE OF** ML101, HI198

### Multidisciplinary Studies

There are **NO** specific course requirements

### North American Studies (NO) \*

**ALL OF** NO105

### Philosophy (PP)

**BOTH** PP110, PP111

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### Political Science (PO)

**BOTH** PO101, PO102

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### Religion and Culture (RE)

**TWO OF** RE100, RE103, RE104, RE105, RE106

### Sociology (SY)

**BOTH** SY101, SY103

### Spanish (SP)

**EITHER** SP101 and SP102 OR SP201 and SP250

\*\*See the [academic calendar](#) for courses based on your Spanish background

### Women and Gender Studies (WS)

**ALL OF** WS100

(\*) denotes combination majors

## Still Undecided?

**That's Okay!** You have until the end of your first year to choose a major that suits you. For your first-year course selection, take a look at the list above, narrow your interest to 2-3 majors, and register for their required courses.

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## CHOOSE YOUR ELECTIVES

Based on your personality type and themes

Your major will likely only require a few first-year courses, so you have the opportunity to choose **elective courses** that interest you. Explore the different **themes** below to get an idea of what you can choose as electives.

### THE CREATIVE STORYTELLER

*You love narratives, symbolism, and making meaning through stories*

Film Studies  
Religion & Culture  
English  
Medieval and Medievalism Studies  
Arts Foundations

### THE CURIOUS EXPLORER

*You crave new cultures, worldviews and perspectives*

Anthropology  
Global Studies  
Religion & Culture  
Film Studies  
History  
Cultural Studies  
North American Studies

### THE DEEP THINKER

*You ponder existence, challenge beliefs, and seek truth and meaningful connections*

Philosophy  
History  
English  
Sociology  
Religion & Culture

### THE ADVOCATE

*You're passionate about justice, equality and creating a better world*

Political Science  
Philosophy  
Women & Gender Studies  
English  
Religion & Culture  
History

### THE ACADEMIC WEAPON

*You want to build a strong academic foundation to thrive in university life*

Arts Foundations  
English  
Philosophy  
Sociology

### THE TECH-SAVVY MODERNIST

*You love media, digital culture, and how technology shapes the world*

Communication Studies  
Film Studies  
History  
English  
Digital Humanities  
Anthropology  
Religion & Culture

### THE HISTORY DETECTIVE

*You love connecting dots from the past and uncovering hidden truths*

Archaeology and Heritage Studies  
Medieval and Medievalism Studies  
Ancient Studies  
History  
North American Studies

### THE SOCIAL BUTTERFLY

*You love connecting dots from the past and uncovering hidden truths*

Sociology  
Philosophy  
English  
Religion & Culture  
Political Science  
North American Studies

### THE LINGUIST

*You love learning new languages to interact with people all over the world*

Arabic  
French  
German  
Italian  
Spanish  
Communication Studies  
Archaeology and Heritage Studies

## FOR A LIST OF SPECIFIC COURSE ELECTIVES

Visit [Arts Academic Advising](#). See "Faculty of Arts Offerings" under *Preparing For Course Registration* to see everything we offer.