DISCOVER YOUR STORY IN ARTS
If you can dream it ...

Your university education may start in the classroom, but the rest of the journey is yours to shape – from choosing your major to exploring extracurriculars to expanding your horizons with a semester abroad. As a Waterloo Arts student, you’ll join clubs, meet new people, and have inspiring experiences that help you dream big and achieve even bigger.

Let’s explore your story in the Faculty of Arts at Waterloo.
In university, you’ll discover like-minded peers, but you’ll also meet people who are nothing like you. Nathanial says that’s one strength of Arts. “There are so many different people with so many different interests in one faculty.”

Experiences like belonging to a diverse community, joining committees, and serving as President of the Arts Student Union have given Nathanial “the ability to understand others and where they’re coming from.”

Those relationship-building skills help Arts graduates excel in the professional world — which, for Nathanial, means a career in secondary education.
HONOURS ARTS

POSITIVELY IMPACTFUL

ABBY
HONOURS ARTS
PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES DOUBLE MAJOR

Applying concepts from the classroom to real-world settings is the ultimate goal of your education. Abby did just that — bringing her skills to a community home for adults with developmental disabilities to engage residents and bolster emotional well-being.

DIVE DEEPER INTO HONOURS ARTS
uwaterloo.ca/future/programs/honours-arts
Cultivate the true you.

Your impact lies in the unique perspective you bring to every experience. In Honours Arts, you’ll enrich your understanding of the world and yourself, deepening the passions, skills, and experiences that shape your future.

Alongside other inquisitive minds, you’ll make connections and solve problems. And you’ll have the chance to gain up to 20 months of co-op experience that expands your possibilities.
HONOURS ARTS AND BUSINESS

GET DOWN TO ARTS AND BUSINESS
uwaterloo.ca/future/programs/arts-and-business
Mahtash had it all figured out – plans for law school and a career as a litigator. But that vision all fell apart, in the most beautiful way possible, when she discovered her knack for analyzing data and the versatility of economics in addressing many of the world’s problems.

“I used to look at everything as if it had an end goal. Go to university, law school, done. I didn’t think about what else was available to me. Switching over to economics gave me a better outlook on what I can do.”

Nurture your niche.

Explore where your passions intersect with the ins and outs of the business world. In Honours Arts and Business, you’ll combine highly-relevant business courses with one of 30 Arts majors.

Pursue your interests and curiosity while gaining the skills today’s employers want. Customize your degree even more with up to 20 months building real-world skills and knowledge through co-op – and graduate 100% career ready.
A Bachelor of Arts degree requires 40 courses in total: a combination of breadth requirements, major(s), and minor(s).

**Honours Arts**
- 16 Major Courses
- 22 Remaining Courses
- 2 Arts First Requirements

**Honours Arts and Business**
- 16 Major Courses
- 8 Remaining Courses
- 14 Business Courses
MAJOR COURSES

MAJOR
As your main area of focus, your major requires 16 courses and counts toward the 40 courses. You will need to choose at least one honours major. Some students decide to do two in a “double major.” See a list of our 30 majors on page 8.

TOPIC SPECIALIZATION
This is a concentration within a major, built of four to six courses, that allows you to focus on the area you’re most interested in.

INTENSIVE SPECIALIZATION
Some majors offer an intensive specialization. This is four to six courses, in addition to the 16 in your major, that give you more in-depth knowledge in a particular area and better prepare you for further studies in graduate or professional school.

REMAINING COURSES

The number of courses you’ll have for a minor or electives depends on how many of your major, business, and breadth courses overlap.

MINOR
Requires eight courses in one subject area and counts towards your 40 courses. Some students choose to do one to two minors, in addition to a major. Pursuing a minor is optional.

Most majors listed are available as minors. See a list of additional Arts minors on page 9.

ELECTIVES
Courses you explore as part of your 40 degree courses that are not a part of a major or minor.

BREADTH REQUIREMENTS
Ten required courses that ensure the breadth of your education. Depending on the subjects you choose to study, these courses may also count towards your major or minor.

BUSINESS COURSES
Choosing Honours Arts and Business? You’ll learn how to be an integral part of any successful business by taking 14 required courses.

› Introduction to Business in North America
› Introduction to Microeconomics
› Accounting Information for Managers
› Professional and Business Ethics
› Statistics (or another approved Arts statistics course)
› Leadership, Teams, and Communication
› Entrepreneurship Principles and Practices
› Genres of Business Communication
› International Business
› Marketing 1: Principles of Marketing and Consumer Economics
› Marketing 2
› Practical Business Skills
› Strategy and Program Integration

Plus one of the following:
› Canadian Business History: Innovators and Entrepreneurs
› European Business History: From Workshop to Factory and Beyond
› Government and Business

ARTS FIRST REQUIREMENTS
These are two small-group seminar courses with engaging topics to get you into the university mindset. You’ll take one in fall and one in winter of your first year.
MAJORS AND MINORS

MAJORS

ANTHROPOLOGY
Enrich your understanding of cultural issues, evolution, and civilizations – past and present. Go international with field experience in the Mediterranean, the Arctic, or Africa. SAMPLE COURSES: Archaeological Field School, Medical Anthropology

CLASSICAL STUDIES (2 Majors)
Choose Classical Studies or Classics
Ever wonder how philosophy, law, and literature have shaped modern society? Travel back to the beginning in Ancient Greece and Rome – and get hands-on experience with fieldwork in Greece or Italy. SAMPLE COURSES: Science and Technology of Ancient Greece and Rome, Astrology and Magic

COMMUNICATION STUDIES (2 Majors)
Choose Communication Studies or Communication Arts and Design Practice
No matter which career you choose, strong communication skills will help you get there. Learn to write and speak persuasively and strengthen your creativity, collaboration, and critical thinking. SAMPLE COURSES: Interviewing, Leadership, Persuasion, Introduction to Critical Design Practices

ECONOMICS
Can you think of any realm of life that isn't impacted by economics? As an economist, you'll help make sense of trends, connect ideas, and create policies that make our communities, our country, and the world go around. SAMPLE COURSES: Economics of Sport, Environmental Economics

ENGLISH (4 Majors)
Choose Creative Writing or Literature or Literature and Rhetoric or Rhetoric, Media, and Professional Communication
Nurture your love of words and flex your critical thinking skills by exploring everything from literature to rhetoric to digital media. Read, write, analyze, persuade, and get inspired! SAMPLE COURSES: The Rhetoric of Digital Design, Genres of Business Communication, Writing for the Media

FINE ARTS (2 Majors)
Choose Visual Culture or Studio Practice
Ready to unleash your creative side? Dive into the arts and art history. Discover painting, drawing, sculpture, printmaking, computer imaging, and film. Get inspired and develop your own original style. SAMPLE COURSES: World Cinema and Visual Culture, Expressive Drawing, Photography

FRENCH
Être inspiré! Explore French language and literature and perfect your speaking and writing skills. Pursue a career abroad, starting with a year of study in Quebec or Paris. Take the French Teaching Specialization, giving you direct admission to teacher’s college at Nipissing University. SAMPLE COURSES: Children’s Literature in French, African and Caribbean French Literature

GENDER AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
Deepen your passion for building just and inclusive communities. Use intersectional feminism to understand how people are marginalized along lines such as gender, sexual orientation, race, and disability. SAMPLE COURSES: Gender and Social Justice in Pop Culture, Waves of Feminist Thought

GERMAN
Deutsch lernen! Mix German communications and cultural studies as you improve your speaking and writing abilities. Get ready to shine in business or government. Go global with a study term in Germany. SAMPLE COURSES: German through Comics, German Filmmakers in Hollywood

HISTORY
Look to the past so you can help shape the future! Be curious. Focus on what you love – politics, military, or women in the New World – and let your interests guide you to a new perspective. SAMPLE COURSES: Gutenberg to Zuckerberg: A (Long) History of the Internet, Canadian Legal History

LEGAL STUDIES
Are you curious about the role of law in society? Explore the impact of the law and legal systems on all aspects of our world, from culture to history to the environment and beyond. SAMPLE COURSES: Criminology, Legal Writing, Philosophy of Law

LIBERAL STUDIES
If you’re naturally inquisitive with lots of diverse interests and passions, consider a program that lets you experience it all. Get a feel for a variety of subjects and follow your curiosity in liberal studies. SAMPLE COURSES: Choose from a variety of disciplines based on your interests.

MEDIEVAL STUDIES
Embrace your inner warrior by investigating history from the fall of the Roman Empire to the modern era. Understand the ideas, art, philosophy, and history that shape the world today. SAMPLE COURSES: Medieval Society, Crusading in the Middle Ages

MUSIC
Pursue your love of music. Improve your skills with an instrument or your voice, or play in one of six music ensembles. Understand theory, performance, and history through a global, film, or psychology lens. Go global in England, Germany, or Bali. SAMPLE COURSES: Introduction to Jazz, Soundtracks: Music in Film, Music and Technology
PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES
Expand your creativity and critical thinking in working for positive social change. Dive deeper into peace, culture, human rights, and international development. Get real-world experience with an internship in Laos, Bangladesh, or Nepal. SAMPLE COURSES: Fair Trade, Conflict Resolution in the Schools

PHILOSOPHY
If you lie awake at night wondering “why are we here?” then philosophy is for you. Get curious about big questions like existence, morality, and ethics in life, business, law, and politics. Form your own beliefs and learn to express them! SAMPLE COURSES: Aristotelian Logic, Professional and Business Ethics

POLITICAL SCIENCE
Enhance your perspective on the world by developing a better understanding of society, political power, and global governance. Explore an international viewpoint or focus on politics in business. SAMPLE COURSES: Foreign Policy, Global Environmental Governance

PSYCHOLOGY
How do our minds connect to our feelings, bodies, and creativity? Explore the answers from various angles in psychology. Take your learning further with hands-on research with some of the top profs in the world! SAMPLE COURSES: Exceptional Children, Learning Disabilities, Basic Research Methods

RELIGIOUS STUDIES
Discover how the religions of the world influence wide-ranging fields, including politics, art, science, and history. Make connections between religion, culture, and society. Go global and study spiritualism in India. SAMPLE COURSES: Religions of Asia, Religion in Science Fiction Films and Television

SEXUALITY, MARRIAGE, AND FAMILY STUDIES
Critically examine the intersections among sexualities, relationships, and families. Explore evolving cultural, historical, and societal values. SAMPLE COURSES: Sex Therapy, Dynamics of Dating, Love and the Law

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES
Find your purpose in supporting the well-being of others through social work or education. Understand how physical and mental health, education, and emotional support impact people and communities. SAMPLE COURSES: Homelessness and Public Policy, Changing Concepts of Childhood

SOCIOLOGY
Curious about how people work or live together? Study groups, relationships, and interactions: how they happen, how they change, and the forces (like age or religion) that make change happen. SAMPLE COURSES: Technology and Social Change, Sociology of Education

SPANISH
Todo español, todo el tiempo! Study Spanish and Latin American literature, culture, and history – then translate it to the real world by studying in Spain or Latin America. Prepare for a career as a translator or in international business. SAMPLE COURSES: Visual Culture in the Contemporary Hispanic World, Theory and Practice of Translation

THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE
How does art influence history, politics, and people? Explore theatre and performance in practice and theory. Launch your own plays, improve your acting, or develop your set design and lighting skills. SAMPLE COURSES: Site-Specific Performance, Stage Management, Approaches to Directing

MINORS
› Applied Language Studies
› Canadian Politics and Public Policy
› Canadian Studies
› Catholic Studies
› Church Music and Worship
› Cognitive Science
› Cultural Identities
› Digital Arts Communication
› East Asian Studies
› Economic Theory
› Human Resources Management
› Human Rights
› Human Sciences
› Indigenous Entrepreneurship
› Indigenous Studies
› International Studies
› International Trade
› Italian Studies
› Jewish Studies
› Management Studies
› Mennonite Studies
› Politics and Business
› Russian and East European Studies
› Studies in Islamic and Arab Cultures
› Technical Writing

Most Arts majors are available as eight-course minors, in addition to this list of minors.
Regular or co-op? You choose! Either way, you’ll learn from the same profs, take the same required courses, and have the same opportunities to connect with friends, clubs, and activities on campus.

**JUMPSTART YOUR CAREER**

Explore your options and discover your strengths through alternating study and work terms. The largest program of its kind, Waterloo co-op links you to more than 7,500 employers all over the globe. And with up to 20 months of paid, real-world experience, it’s a boost for your bank account and your résumé.

**POWER THROUGH TO GRADUATION**

Keep to the schedule you’re used to: studying in the fall and winter, and working or exploring the world in the summer. Or take courses in the summer and complete your honours degree in less than three years. A regular course of study is the fastest way to finish your degree and hit your next goals.
BUILD A JOURNEY OF FIRSTS

ARYAN
HONOURS ARTS AND BUSINESS, CO-OP ECONOMICS MAJOR

Growing up in India, Aryan always imagined himself at a school in North America – somewhere he’d never been. From feeling snow for the first time to landing a co-op job with the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation, he’s savouring every moment.

WORK/STUDY TIMELINE

Co-op available in all majors.

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NOTE: fall term – September to December; winter term – January to April; spring term – May to August

*Sequence 1 applies to Honours Arts and Business (all majors), and Honours Arts majors in Economics, English, and Fine Arts

**Sequence 2 applies to Honours Arts (all majors, excluding those in Economics, English, and Fine Arts)

AT THE LEADING EDGE

Want an alternative to co-op? The EDGE experiential education certificate gives you credit for work and volunteer roles throughout your regular studies. Develop job-search skills, get real-world experience, and learn how to sell your unique skill set.

EXPLORE THE WORLD OF CO-OP

uwaterloo.ca/future/co-op
Supporting your success

With you all the way

From orientation to graduation, you chart the path – but that doesn’t mean you have to go it alone. Call on your caring support system in the Faculty of Arts any time.
CHANNEL YOUR CHILL
Feeling frazzled? Student-organized stress buster events help you keep your cool year-round with puppy time (cuteness overload!), massage therapy, academic help, arts and crafts, and all the snacks.

SMOOTH THE RIDE
The transition to university can be overwhelming. Arts First courses help you get into the swing of things in your first two semesters. With one course in fall and one in winter, they feature small class sizes and a collaborative learning experience that lets you meet new friends, work together on pressing issues, and boost your communication and analysis skills.

ALL YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED
Which courses should you take? How do you declare your major? Or add a minor? Awesome academic advisors are here to answer all these questions and more. Find them in the Arts Undergraduate Office (AUO).
INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES

A BEAUTIFUL WORLD

PLAN YOUR ADVENTURE

uwaterloo.ca/arts/undergraduate/international-experience
Broaden your horizons by treading new ground – literally! While international exchanges usually happen in third year, you can plant the seeds now by taking courses in languages and culture or even doing a co-op term overseas.

**SEMESTER TO REMEMBER**

Take a study term in one of 25+ countries with one of Waterloo’s 90+ partner universities. The courses you take will count towards your degree and you’ll pay the same tuition as you would in Waterloo.

**JOURNEY TO GAME-CHANGING**

If helping others is your passion, take advantage of travel opportunities focused on making a difference in other countries and communities, such as SJU in Peru and Beyond Borders, both through St. Jerome’s University.

**CLASSROOM WITH A VIEW**

Some courses offer one- or two-week study abroad excursions where you get to learn by seeing, experiencing, and exploring another country first hand.
UNIVERSITY COLLEGES

- **CGR**
  - Conrad Grebel University College
  - Home to both Music and Peace and Conflict majors
  - 0.45 km to Arts Quad

- **UTD**
  - United College
  - Home to Waterloo’s Indigenous Student Centre, Indigenous Residence Community, and French-speaking residence floor
  - 0.40 km to Arts Quad

- **REN**
  - Renison University College
  - Home to Waterloo’s Social Development Studies program
  - 0.52 km to Arts Quad

- **HH**
  - J. G. Hagey Hall of the Humanities
  - Arts

- **PAS**
  - Psychology, Anthropology and Sociology
  - Arts
Unlock even greater experiences.

[Image: Map showing University College locations]

Looking to next-level your time at university? Meet the University Colleges. They’re all located within walking distance from the Arts Quad, a common gathering place for Arts students.

Perks include living in a super-friendly residence, volunteering abroad, or becoming a student leader. With Renison and St. Jerome’s, you can even co-register for your studies, giving you more small classes, a dedicated academic advisor, and a residence just steps away from many of your classes.
THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY
Your friends, your classmates, and that random person you talk to while in line for poutine at ML’s Diner – this is your community. And you’ll start to build it from day one during Orientation, a fun-filled week in early September.

Get ready to meet new friends, learn a super-secret dance, find your Warrior spirit, and get to know Porcellino, the beloved bronze boar mascot of the Faculty of Arts!
ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Minimum admission requirements: completed high school diploma with six Grade 12 U or M courses, including 4U English.

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*For Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, Psychology, Sexuality, Marriage, and Family Studies, Social Development Studies, or Sociology: Data Management or any 4U Mathematics is recommended but not required. For Economics: Calculus and Vectors is strongly recommended.

Looking for more options? The Faculty of Arts also offers Accounting and Financial Management, Global Business and Digital Arts, and Social Development Studies.

Pick up copies of these supplementary brochures to learn more.

› Accounting and Financial Management
› Global Business and Digital Arts
› Social Development Studies (see the Renison University College brochure)
AND ANOTHER THING...

DON’T BURST YOUR BUDGET

Use our online budget calculator to estimate your total first-year costs. Check out our website for detailed information on federal and provincial financial aid (such as OSAP), scholarships, and faculty-specific awards.

FREE MONEY

$500–$4,000
entrance bursaries (Ontario students only) awarded based on financial need

UP TO $5,000
President’s scholarship of distinction 95%+ admission average

President’s scholarship 90-94.9% admission average

$2,000

$1,000
merit scholarship 85-89.9% admission average

COMMIT TO TIGHT KNIT

Looking for a small, connected community? St. Jerome’s University (SJU) and Renison University College (REN) are mini-campuses located right at Waterloo. As an Honours Arts or Honours Arts and Business student, you can co-register with SJU or REN to make one your home base. Get better access to small classes and academic advisors, along with the option of living in residence. All of this, while still earning a University of Waterloo degree and accessing the same resources available to other Arts students on campus.

THERE’S ONE PLACE LIKE HOME

In Waterloo’s residences, you’ll find strong Wi-Fi and even stronger bonds. It’s the best place to connect with other students over movie nights and floor dinners, access academic support like tutoring, and learn the ropes from your upper-year student don.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

The University of Waterloo acknowledges that much of our work takes place on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabeg, and Haudenosaunee peoples. Our main campus is situated on the Haldimand Tract, the land granted to the Six Nations that includes six miles on each side of the Grand River.

Our greatest impact happens together

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