

ARTS

Our objective at King's, is to educate the whole person. An introduction to the major disciplines within the Arts and Social Sciences will familiarize you with fundamental skills that will enable you to think logically, acquire knowledge independently, and express yourself clearly. In a world of rapidly changing technology, it is important to be able to learn new skills and to adapt to new environments. There is an increasing need, both in society and in the workplace, for innovators, problem solvers, managers and interpreters. An individual with a degree in the liberal arts has proven to be intelligent, articulate and flexible enough to meet these challenges. We also believe that a liberal arts education will teach you the pleasure and satisfaction of learning for its own sake. By opening further your mind to a spectrum of ideas and possibilities, it will lay a foundation for a rich, full life.

Educational goals are achieved through relatively small classes, excellent teaching and faculty. Our professors, who are highly regarded teachers and respected scholars, are committed to our students' academic development. Our faculty provide individual attention to students' assignments and are readily available beyond regular class hours for discussion, special help or encouragement.

King's graduates, with their degrees from The University of Western Ontario, are successful in a wide range of careers. Our graduates are not only respected professionals, but also informed and committed citizens. Your degree may also form the basis for further specialized education. Many of our students enter professional programs, such as law, business, education, journalism or library and information science, after completing their degrees at King's. Some go on to do graduate work in their specific subject areas, either at Western or another university.

General First Year - If you register in the Arts program at King's, you will begin your studies with a general first year in which you may choose up to five different subjects from at least two of the three areas of Arts, Social Science or Science. The flexibility of a general first year program will give you ample opportunity to explore several possibilities before determining your area(s) of concentration (or major(s)).

CATHOLIC STUDIES

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FOR TEACHERS*

DRAMATIC
LITERATURE

ENGLISH

FRENCH

JEWISH STUDIES

PHILOSOPHY

PPE
(Politics, Philosophy &
Economics)

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

WORLD RELIGIONS

*SEE SEPARATE FACT SHEET

**A brief overview of each of these programs is found on the reverse side.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Catholic Studies In accordance with the religious identity of King's, Catholic Studies provides a substantive treatment of the Roman Catholic Tradition and the necessary competence in the content to be taught in Religious Education courses in the Catholic School System. The module also meets the Religious Studies admissions requirements of the Faculty of Education for the use of Religion as a teaching subject. The Catholic Studies program offers three- or four-year degrees: a Honors Specialization in Catholic Studies, Major in Catholic Studies, Minor in Catholic Studies and a Minor in Catholic Studies for Teachers. These students often choose this degree option for preparation in education, social work or lay ministry.

English and Dramatic Literature At King's we believe the knowledge and appreciation which come from the study of literature can be a source of constant delight and culture fulfilment to us throughout our lives. The Department of Modern Languages offers courses in English, French, Italian Studies, Film, Writing, Spanish and Speech. In the English program, the introductory courses acquaint you with a comprehensive range of British, American and Canadian Literature. In addition, emphasis is placed upon the use of correct and effective language as a vehicle for the communication of ideas. Some senior courses titles reflect the variety of offerings: Children's Literature, Shakespearean Drama, Canadian Literature, American Drama, Medieval Literature and Creative Writing. Students in the English program may pursue three year or four year degrees: Honors Specialization in English Language & Literature, Major in English Language and Literature, Specialization in English Language and Literature, Minor in English Language and Literature, Minor in General English, Minor in Dramatic Literature, and Minor in English for Teachers.

French In French, the first-year courses are designed to develop your ability to read, understand and speak the language with a facility and confidence sufficient for your immediate academic needs. Courses in the senior years build upon this foundation. Some course titles include: French Civilization, Translation, Literary Theory and Criticism and Women Writers of France and French Canada. The French program offers both three year and four year degrees: Honors Specialization French Language & Literature, Honors Specialization in French Linguistics and Literature, Honors Specialization in French Language & Linguistics, Major in French and Minor in French. The study of language and literature will provide you an opportunity to study creation as a work of art as well as in its historical context and philosophical and cultural relationships

Jewish Studies The Jewish Studies program is an introduction to the history of Judaism and Jews. This program will examine the religious, social, economic and cultural development of Judaism and Jewish life, and relationships between Jews and other communities. The degree program includes both a Major and a Minor in Jewish Studies.

Philosophy and Religious Studies Throughout the ages, individuals have always found time to ask questions about their place in the "cosmic adventure". In addition to their practical activities, people still engage in speculation on the origin, purpose and meaning of life. Although the answers to these questions are not easy, the nature of our answers ultimately shapes our whole lifestyle. The programs in Philosophy and Religious Studies at King's are designed to help us reflect on these questions. Although these disciplines overlap in many ways, there are distinct differences. Some topics, such as the existence of God and the meaning of human freedom are areas of common concern. Philosophers study the nature of human knowledge and language; whereas students of Religious Studies study sacramental celebration and sacred literature. At King's, both the three year and four year degrees in Philosophy are designed to introduce you to the perennial philosophical questions as well as their leading philosophical thinkers. The Philosophy degree program includes: Honors Specialization in Philosophy, Major in Philosophy, Specialization and Minor in Philosophy. The three year and four year degree programs in Religious Studies are concerned primarily with the Western Judaeo-Christian religious heritage, the Catholic tradition and the relationship of Christianity to contemporary culture. Courses are designed not only to study the Christian vision but also explore Christian approaches to such matters as marriage, war and technology. The degree program includes: Honors Specialization, Major, Specialization and Minor in Religious Studies.

Politics, Philosophy & Economics (PPE) The PPE program provides a cross-disciplinary curriculum that develops the critical thinking necessary to understand and participate in a public policy environment. Three honors specialization modules (Politics, Philosophy & Economics) are available in the program.

World Religions The World Religions program undertakes the study of texts, institutions, rituals, and belief systems of the different world religions and prepares students to understand and live in a multicultural global community. The degree program includes: Honors Specialization, Specialization, Major and Minor in World Religion.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

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