

BACHELOR OF ARTS, MAJOR IN GENERAL STUDIES

At a Glance

Faculty

www.kpu.ca/arts (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/>)

Area of Study:

www.kpu.ca/arts/programs (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/programs/>)

Academic Level:

Undergraduate

Credential Granted:

Baccalaureate Degree

Start Date:

Fall (September)

Spring (January)

Summer (May)

Intake Type:

- Open

Minimum Credits Required:

120

Curriculum Effective Date:

01-Sep-2021

The Bachelor of Arts, Major in General Studies degree program provides you with the opportunity to develop a degree program that suits your unique interests, combining courses across different disciplines. Working with an Arts Degree Advisor, you can create a personal program of study that helps you reach specific career and personal goals, intentionally developing a broad interdisciplinary liberal arts education. Completing this degree will normally involve a selection of courses from a number of departments that form around a unifying theme.

The program includes:

- Development of disciplinary knowledge, core competencies, and transferable skills characteristic of traditional Bachelor of Arts programs
- Preparation for entry into the labour market by incorporating essential and employability skills in all courses
- Increasing your capacity to respond innovatively to emerging trends in society
- Opportunities for forging connections within the South Fraser region by completing research, volunteering, or working in your field of interest while completing your KPU degree.

Requirements

Admission Requirements

Students pursuing a major in General Studies must be admitted to the Faculty of Arts (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/admission-requirements/>).

Declaration Requirements

Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Arts Bachelor's degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:

- In good academic standing with the University
- Completion of a minimum of 18 credits of undergraduate coursework
- ENGL 1100

Curricular Requirements

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree with a Major in General Studies must complete a minimum of 120 credits that fulfill all of the following requirements:¹

Code	Title	Credits
ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing ²	3
3 additional credits from courses in ENGL ^{2, 3}		3
3 credits from courses designated as Quantitative (QUAN) ²		3
21 credits from courses at the 1100 level or higher		21
45 credits from courses at the 3000 level or higher		45
15 credits from courses in at least three different disciplines; may include courses from previous categories ²		45
Total Credits		120

¹ The BA, Major in General Studies is not coupled to the BA Framework (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/ba-degree-framework/>).

² Minimum grade of 'C' is required.

³ Excluding ENGL 1100 and ENGL 1104.

Note: The program structure for each student in the BA, Major in General Studies will vary depending upon the focus of courses developed in consultation with an Arts Degree Advisor. Students who are considering post-baccalaureate or graduate school programs should research the requirements of their specific programs of interest and then consult with an advisor at KPU to meet those requirements and to ensure they include appropriate courses in their degree program.

Credential Awarded

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Arts**. Transcripts will indicate a Major in General Studies.