

PATHWAY TO UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Overview

The Pathway to Undergraduate Studies is a unique model that pairs English upgrading and undergraduate studies with guided support, offering students an option to upgrade their English proficiency while also starting work toward their intended undergraduate program in the Faculty of their choosing.

The Pathway to Undergraduate Studies is available to students that do not meet the English proficiency requirement for admission to undergraduate studies at KPU (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/admissions/english-proficiency-requirements/>) within the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Science & Horticulture, or the Melville School of Business. A student admitted to the Pathway to Undergraduate Studies is required to enroll in English proficiency upgrading courses, and also has the option to complete other upgrading courses or a limited number of undergraduate courses at KPU. The undergraduate courses available to Pathway Students (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/courses-az/#pathwaytext>) will help them advance towards various undergraduate programs and aid their eventual transition to full undergraduate studies. Students interested in upgrading their English proficiency while getting a head-start on undergraduate studies can apply to the Pathway to Undergraduate Studies.

The Pathway to Undergraduate Studies supports both native and non-native English speaking students by offering English Qualifying (ENGQ) courses for native English speaking students and English Language Studies (ELST) courses non-native English speaking students.

For additional information, see the Pathway to Undergraduate Studies' website (<https://www.kpu.ca/pathway/>)

Requirements

Admission Requirements

All applicants to the Pathway to Undergraduate Studies in the Faculty of Arts must satisfy the requirements for admission to either Pathway Level 1, Pathway Level 2, or Pathway Level 3 (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/admissions/pathway-undergraduate-studies/>), according to their level of English proficiency as assessed at the point of admission.

Progression Requirements

A Pathway student must register in the required ENGQ or ELST English upgrading course(s) designated for their current Pathway Level. A Pathway student progresses from one Pathway Level to the next by successfully completing the required English upgrading courses required to progress to the next Pathway Level. After successful completion of the required English upgrading course(s) for Pathway Level 3, a Pathway student will be assessed for undergraduate admission.

Required English Upgrading Courses

Code	Title	Credits
Pathway Level 1		
ENGQ 1079	Writing Skills - Focus On Sentences	

or, all of:

ELST 0041	English for Academic Purposes - Foundations Level
ELST 0043	Foundation Level - Listening and Speaking
ELST 0181	English for Academic Purposes - Level 1
ELST 0183	Academic Listening and Speaking Skills - Level 1
or, both:	
ELST 0181	English for Academic Purposes - Level 1
ELST 0183	Academic Listening and Speaking Skills - Level 1 ¹
Pathway Level 2	
ENGQ 1089	Writing Skills - Focus on Paragraphs
or, both:	
ELST 0281	English for Academic Purposes - Level 2
ELST 0283	Academic Listening and Speaking Skills - Level 2 ²
Pathway Level 3	
One of:	
ENGQ 1091	Provincial Level English Literature (English 12)
ENGQ 1092	Professional and Technical English 12
ENGQ 1099	Writing Skills with Readings
or, both:	
ELST 0381	English for Academic Purposes - Level 3
ELST 0383	Academic Listening and Speaking Skills - Level 3 ³

¹ ELST 0183 not required with KPU testing and placement into ELST 0283 or higher

² ELST 0283 not required with KPU testing and placement into ELST 0383 or higher

³ ELST 0383 not required with KPU testing and placement at a higher level

Additional Course Options ¹

At Pathway Level 1 a student may take additional English upgrading courses. Once a student attains Pathway Level 2 or higher they also have the option to enroll in a limited number of undergraduate courses, selected from the list of undergraduate courses that have been designated for Pathway Studies (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/courses-az/#pathwaytext>).

Code	Title	Credits
Pathway Level 1		
ELST 0043	Foundation Level - Listening and Speaking	
ELST 0061	Intermediate Pronunciation	
ELST 0162	Grammar 1	
Pathway Level 2		
ELST 0261	Advanced Pronunciation	
ELST 0262	Grammar II	
up to a maximum of 4 credits from undergraduate courses designated for pathway level 2/ (https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/pathwaytext/)		
Pathway Level 3		
up to a maximum of 8 credits from undergraduate courses designated for pathway level 2 or pathway level 3/ (https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/pathwaytext/)		

¹ Choice of courses may be limited by course prerequisites.

Transition to Undergraduate Studies

Following successful completion of the Pathway Level 3 English proficiency course requirements, a Pathway student will be transitioned to undergraduate studies. During the Pathway Level 3 semester, registration in undergraduate courses remains limited to the list of undergraduate courses that have been designated for Pathway Studies. Pathway students should consult with an Academic Advisor to develop a plan for their undergraduate studies.