Migration and Diaspora Studies

This section presents the requirements for programs in:

- Migration and Diaspora Studies Master of Arts
- Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora Studies

Migration and Diaspora Studies

Master of Arts (5.0 credits)

Requirements - Coursework pathway:

1. 1.5 credits in:
   - MGDS 5001 [0.5] Introduction to Migration and Diaspora Studies
   - MGDS 5002 [0.5] Key Issues in Migration and Diaspora Studies
   - MGDS 5003 [0.5] Research Seminar in Migration and Diaspora Studies

2. 3.5 credits from Migration and Diaspora Studies electives (see below). Up to 1.0 credit in Migration and Diaspora Studies practicum placements (MGDS 5101) may count toward this requirement.

Total Credits 5.0

Requirements - Research essay pathway

1. 1.5 credits in:
   - MGDS 5001 [0.5] Introduction to Migration and Diaspora Studies
   - MGDS 5002 [0.5] Key Issues in Migration and Diaspora Studies
   - MGDS 5003 [0.5] Research Seminar in Migration and Diaspora Studies

2. 2.5 credits from Migration and Diaspora Studies electives (see below). Up to 1.0 credit in Migration and Diaspora Studies practicum placements (MGDS 5101) may count toward this requirement.

3. 1.0 credit in:
   - MGDS 5908 [1.0] Research Essay

Total Credits 5.0

Requirements - Thesis pathway:

1. 1.5 credits in:
   - MGDS 5001 [0.5] Introduction to Migration and Diaspora Studies
   - MGDS 5002 [0.5] Key Issues in Migration and Diaspora Studies
   - MGDS 5003 [0.5] Research Seminar in Migration and Diaspora Studies

2. 1.5 credits from Migration and Diaspora Studies electives (see below). Up to 1.0 credit in Migration and Diaspora Studies practicum placements (MGDS 5101) may count towards this requirements.

3. 2.0 credits in:
   - MGDS 5909 [2.0] M.A. Thesis

Note: a minimum of 10.0 CGPA is required in the first 3.0 credits of coursework for students to continue in the thesis pathway.

Total Credits 5.0

Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora Studies (2.5 credits)

The Type 2 Graduate Diploma is for graduate students enrolled in a Carleton graduate program who seek to add a graduate-level credential in Migration and Diaspora Studies to their existing degree program. The Type 3 Graduate Diploma is for individuals who are not currently registered in a Carleton graduate program, but wish to gain a graduate-level credential in Migration and Diaspora Studies for academic or professional reasons. Both diplomas require 2.5 credits and may be taken on either a part-time or full-time basis.

Requirements (Type 2 and Type 3 Graduate Diploma):

1. 1.0 credit in:
   - MGDS 5001 [0.5] Introduction to Migration and Diaspora Studies
   - MGDS 5002 [0.5] Key Issues in Migration and Diaspora Studies

2. 1.5 credits from Migration and Diaspora Studies Electives (see below). Up to 0.5 credit in MGDS 5101 Practicum in Migration and Diaspora Studies may count toward this requirement.

Note: up to 1.0 credit may be counted toward both the diploma and the degree for the Type 2 Graduate Diploma, with approval from both units.

Total Credits 2.5

Migration and Diaspora Studies Electives List

Anthropology
- ANTH 5109 [0.5] Ethnography, Gender and Globalization

Art History
- ARTH 5112 [0.5] Topics in Historiography, Methodology and Criticism (only with approved topics in Migration and Diaspora Studies)
- ARTH 5115 [0.5] Topics in Modern and Contemporary Art (only with approved topics in Migration and Diaspora Studies)
- ARTH 5117 [0.5] Community/Identity

Canadian Studies
- CDNS 5501 [0.5] Decolonizing Canada: Cultural Politics and Collective Identities
- CDNS 5601 [0.5] Constructing Canada: The Politics of National Identity

Cultural Mediations
- CLMD 6102 [0.5] Issues in Transnationalism

Communication Studies
- COMS 5207 [0.5] Communication and Racialization
- COMS 5222 [0.5] Cultural Intersections
- COMS 5214 [0.5] The Local and the Global

English
- ENGL 5004 [0.5] Studies in Transnational Literatures
- ENGL 5008 [0.5] Studies in African Literature
- ENGL 5009 [0.5] Studies in South Asian Literature
- ENGL 5010 [0.5] Studies in Caribbean Literature

European, Russian and Eurasian Studies
- EURR 5304 [0.5] Europe and International Migration

French
Admission Requirements

M.A. Migration and Diaspora Studies

The normal requirement for admission to the Master’s program is an Honours Bachelor's degree (or equivalent), with at least a B+ average.

For admission to the program, applicants should normally possess a four-year undergraduate degree (or equivalent) in a humanities or social sciences discipline or interdisciplinary program. Previous coursework in Migration and Diaspora Studies is an asset. Practical experience working with migrant or diaspora issues will also be taken into consideration.

Accelerated Pathway

The accelerated pathway in Migration and Diaspora Studies is a flexible and individualized plan of graduate study for students in their final year of a Carleton University undergraduate degree.

Students in their third year of study in a Carleton University undergraduate degree should consult with both the Undergraduate Advisor in their program of study and the Migration and Diaspora Studies Program Director to determine if the accelerated pathway is appropriate for them and to confirm their selection of courses for their final year of undergraduate studies.

Accelerated pathway requirements:
1. At least 1.0 credit in Migration and Diaspora Studies elective courses (5000-level or higher);
2. Minimum overall CGPA of A-.

Students may receive advanced standing with transfer of credit of up to 1.0 credit which can reduce their time to completion.

Admission Requirements for Diploma in Migration and Diaspora Studies (Type 2)

- Enrolment in a Master's or Doctoral degree program at Carleton University.
- Letter of support from the student's supervisor or, if no supervisor has been assigned, a faculty member in the home program.
- A 1-2 page statement of interest from the applicant outlining the reasons for wishing to enrol in the Migration and Diaspora Studies Diploma program.

Admissions Requirements for Diploma in Migration and Diaspora Studies (Type 3)

- An Honours Bachelor's degree (or equivalent) in a related discipline, with an average of B+ or higher. University transcripts must be submitted as part of the application.
- A 1-2 page statement of interest from the applicant outlining the reasons for wishing to enrol in the Migration and Diaspora Studies Diploma program.
- An academic letter of recommendation. In addition, students with relevant professional or practical experience may submit a letter from their supervisor/employer.
Migration and Diaspora Studies (MGDS) Courses

**MGDS 5001 [0.5 credit]**
Introduction to Migration and Diaspora Studies
Advanced introduction to major themes in and approaches to both migration studies and diaspora studies, drawing on different disciplinary perspectives.
Prerequisite(s): enrolment in the MGDS MA or GDIP program or permission of the department.

**MGDS 5002 [0.5 credit]**
Key Issues in Migration and Diaspora Studies
Social, cultural, economic and political implications of the movement and transnational settlement of people with a multidisciplinary and multiscalar approach to topics such as citizenship, forced migration, diasporic communities, exile, immigration, global identities and transnationalism.

**MGDS 5003 [0.5 credit]**
Research Seminar in Migration and Diaspora Studies
Research design and methodology in migration and diaspora studies. Coursework students design a research project to be completed during the term. Research essay and thesis pathway students produce a proposal and work on the initial stages of their research project.
Prerequisite(s): enrolment in the MGDS MA program or permission of the department.

**MGDS 5101 [0.5 credit]**
Practicum in Migration and Diaspora Studies
Practicum placement in an organization that works in an area relevant to migration and diaspora studies. Requires written academic assignments. Graded SAT/UNS.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): permission of the department.

**MGDS 5900 [0.5 credit]**
Special Topics in Migration and Diaspora Studies
Advanced topics in Migration and Diaspora Studies. Topics vary from term to term.

**MGDS 5901 [0.5 credit]**
Directed Readings in Migration and Diaspora Studies
Directed readings on a specific topic in Migration and Diaspora Studies.
Prerequisite(s): permission of the department.

**MGDS 5908 [1.0 credit]**
Research Essay
A research essay on a topic relating to Migration and Diaspora Studies. The topic must be approved by the program supervisor.
Prerequisite(s): permission of the department.

**MGDS 5909 [2.0 credits]**
M.A. Thesis
Prerequisite(s): permission of the department.

**MGDS 5913 [0.0 credit]**
Co-operative Work Term
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): registration in the Co-operative Education Program option in the M.A.

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**Summer session**: some of the courses listed in this Calendar are offered during the summer. Hours and scheduling for summer session courses will differ significantly from those reported in the fall/winter Calendar. To determine the scheduling and hours for summer session classes, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca

Not all courses listed are offered in a given year. For an up-to-date statement of course offerings for the current session and to determine the term of offering, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca