Northern Studies

M.A. Northern Studies (5.0 credits)
Requirements:
1. 2.0 credits in:
   NRTH 5000 [1.0] Core Seminar: Northern Environments, Northern Societies, Northern Policy
   NRTH 5001 [1.0] Core Seminar: Northern and Arctic Issues
2. 0.0 credit in:
   NRTH 5008 [0.0] Introductory Northern Field Course
3. 0.5 credit in:
   NRTH 5009 [0.5] Field Course in Canada's North
4. 1.0 credit in:
   NRTH 5901 [0.5] Practicum in Northern Studies
   NRTH 5905 [0.5] Comprehensive Examination
5. 0.5 credit from:
   GEOG 5003 [0.5] Critical Approaches to Qualitative Inquiry
   PECO 5001 [0.5] The Methodology of Political Economy
   SOCI 5105 [0.5] Selected Topics in Social Research
6. 1.0 credit in additional course work chosen from the following list, or as approved by the program supervisor.
   ANTH 4610 [0.5] Advanced Studies in Indigenous Peoples
   ANTH 5004 [0.5] Ecological Anthropology
   ANTH 5106 [0.5] North American Indigenous Peoples
   ANTH 5208 [0.5] Anthropology of Indigeneity
   CDNS 5101 [0.5] Indigenous Peoples, Canada and the North
   CDNS 5700 [0.5] Arctic Passages: The Changing Dynamics of Canada's North
   GEOG 5600 [0.5] Empire and Colonialism
   PADM 5224 [0.5] Aboriginal Policy
   PADM 5614 [0.5] Natural Resource Management
Total Credits 5.0

Notes:
1. Advanced standing may be granted for up to 1.0 credit for GEOG 5003, SOCI 5105, PECO 5001, GEOG 5001 or an approved course in research methods, and for other elective courses.
2. Up to 1.0 credit at the 4000-level may be selected, with the approval of the program.

Graduate Diploma in Northern Studies (3.0 credits)
Requirements (Type 2 and Type 3 Diplomas):
1. 2.0 credits in:
   NRTH 5000 [1.0] Core Seminar: Northern Environments, Northern Societies, Northern Policy
   NRTH 5001 [1.0] Core Seminar: Northern and Arctic Issues
2. 0.0 credit in:
   NRTH 5008 [0.0] Introductory Northern Field Course
3. 0.5 credit from:
   GEOG 5003 [0.5] Critical Approaches to Qualitative Inquiry
   PECO 5001 [0.5] The Methodology of Political Economy
   SOCI 5105 [0.5] Selected Topics in Social Research
   GEOG 5001 [0.5] Modeling Environmental Systems or another course in research methods approved by the Program Supervisor
4. 0.5 credit from:
   ANTH 4610 [0.5] Advanced Studies in Indigenous Peoples
   ANTH 5004 [0.5] Ecological Anthropology
   ANTH 5106 [0.5] North American Indigenous Peoples
   ANTH 5208 [0.5] Anthropology of Indigeneity
   CDNS 5101 [0.5] Indigenous Peoples, Canada and the North
   CDNS 5700 [0.5] Arctic Passages: The Changing Dynamics of Canada's North
   ERTH 5309 [0.5] Glacial and Periglacial Geology
   GEOG 4013 [0.5] Cold Region Hydrology
   GEOG 4017 [0.5] Global Biogeochemical Cycles
   GEOG 4108 [0.5] Permafrost
   GEOG 5303 [0.5] Geocryology
Total Credits 3.0

Notes:
1. Advanced standing may be granted for up to 1.0 credit for GEOG 5003, SOCI 5105, PECO 5001, GEOG 5001 or an approved course in research methods, and for other elective courses.
2. Up to 1.0 credit at the 4000-level may be selected, with the approval of the program.
GEOG 5600 [0.5] Empire and Colonialism  
GEOG 5804 [0.5] Geographic Information Systems  
NRTH 5009 [0.5] Field Course in Canada's North  
PADM 5224 [0.5] Aboriginal Policy  
PADM 5614 [0.5] Natural Resource Management  

A maximum of 1.0 credit may be taken at the 4000-level. 
No more than 0.5 credit may be taken as a Directed Study 
or Graduate Tutorial. Courses must be taken from at least 
three disciplines (as indicated by course prefixes).

Total Credits 3.0

**Note:** advanced standing may be granted for up to 1.0 
credit for GEOG 5003, SOCI 5105, PECO 5001, GEOG 5001 or an approved course in research methods, and for 
other elective courses.

**Regulations**
See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

Academic standing of B- or higher must be obtained in 
each course counted toward the fulfillment of the degree or 
diploma requirements.

**Admission**

**M.A. and M.Sc. Northern Studies**
The minimum requirement for admission to the M.A. 
or M.Sc. program in Northern Studies is normally 
an Honours degree (or four-year degree) with B+ 
standing. Customarily, applicants will have degrees in 
the environmental sciences, sociology, anthropology, 
political science, economics, geography, or a related 
field. Applicants with degrees in other disciplines, or 
without an honours degree, must demonstrate equivalent 
experience that may have prepared them for the program. 
Applicants must present a succinct 500-word statement 
indicating why they anticipate academic success in an 
interdisciplinary environment and outlining their motivation 
for taking this program.

**Diploma in Northern Studies (Type 2)**

- Enrolment in a master's or doctoral degree program.
- Letter of support from the student's supervisor.
- A 500-word letter from the applicant outlining 
  the reasons for wishing to enrol in the Diploma 
  program, including comments on why they desire an 
  interdisciplinary academic experience, why they expect 
  to succeed in an interdisciplinary environment, and 
  a proposed course schedule that will enable timely 
  completion.

**Diploma in Northern Studies (Type 3)**

- Honours or four-year degree with B+ standing. 
  Customarily, applicants will have degrees in the 
  environmental sciences, sociology, anthropology, 
  political science, economics, geography, or a related 
  field.
- Two letters of reference that indicate why the applicant 
  is likely to succeed in the program. The referees must 
  have a university degree, and preferably a graduate 
  qualification.
- Applicants with degrees in other disciplines may 
  present professional experience to supplement their 
  academic record. In such cases, additional references 
  may be requested as well as an interview with the 
  applicant. Referees must have a university degree, and 
  preferably a graduate qualification. 
- A 500-word letter from the applicant outlining 
  the reasons for wishing to enrol in the Diploma 
  program, including comment on why they desire an 
  interdisciplinary academic experience, why they expect 
  to succeed in an interdisciplinary environment, and 
  a proposed course schedule that will enable timely 
  completion.