

Canadian Studies (CDNS)

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CDNS 5001 [0.5 credit]

M.A. Core Seminar: Conceptualizing Canada

Interdisciplinary perspectives on theoretical and methodological approaches to Canadian Studies.

Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing in the School.

CDNS 5002 [0.5 credit]

Interdisciplinary Methods

A survey of the issues raised by problem-directed methodologies; critiques of existing methodology including from the standpoints of feminist and Aboriginal scholarship.

CDNS 5003 [0.5 credit]

Selected Topics in Canadian Studies

Topic varies from year to year.

CDNS 5101 [0.5 credit]

Indigenous Peoples, Canada and the North

Interdisciplinary seminar exploring selected Indigenous issues as they relate to historical and ongoing changes in material, social, and cultural phenomena and relationships.

CDNS 5102 [0.5 credit]

Indigenous Politics and Resurgence in Canada

Interdisciplinary seminar exploring selected themes in Indigenous politics, experience, and philosophy since the 1960s.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies.

CDNS 5201 [0.5 credit]

Critical Perspectives on Canadian Feminism

Interdisciplinary seminar examining Canadian contributions to feminist and gender theory as well as developments in women's movements in a Canadian context.

CDNS 5202 [0.5 credit]

Gendering Canada: Selected Contemporary Debates

Interdisciplinary seminar focusing on specific themes that define Canadian women's and gender studies. Themes change yearly but past topics have included sexuality and sexual practices, health and reproductive rights, the body, motherhood and work.

CDNS 5301 [0.5 credit]

Canadian Cultural Studies

The arts, belief systems, institutions and communicative practices in Canada in relation to other social and historical structures.

CDNS 5302 [0.5 credit]

Canadian Cultural Policy

Evolution of Canadian cultural policy from its origins through to the contemporary search for cultural cohesion within a global context, emphasizing developments since the Massey Commission.

CDNS 5400 [0.5 credit]

Space, Landscape and Identity in Canada

Explorations of cultural landscapes and competing constructions of space. Topics may include: settler-colonial space-making, whiteness and space, diasporic space, geographies of gender and sexuality, and different understandings of nature/culture.

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as CDNS 4400, for which additional credit is precluded.

CDNS 5401 [0.5 credit]

Heritage Conservation: History, Principles, and Concepts

History of heritage conservation theory in Canada and abroad, as it affects both tangible and intangible heritage; development of the field's conceptual frameworks and operational principles for understanding, evaluating, conserving and managing significant Canadian places of heritage value.

CDNS 5402 [0.5 credit]

Heritage Conservation: Theory in Practice

Application of heritage conservation theory to practice. Models for conservation and management of heritage resources in Canada. Research, planning, development, interpretation and the interplay of disciplines within these conservation domains. Frameworks for evaluating programs and policies. Field exercises and visits. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

CDNS 5403 [0.5 credit]**Heritage Conservation and Sustainability**

Exploration of the recent shift in heritage conservation discourse that embraces objectives of environmental, social, and economic sustainability. Investigation of synergies and gaps between natural and cultural conservation ideas. Introduction to theory, principles and practices through analysis of Canadian and international research, policy and projects.

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as CDNS 4403, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminar three hours per week.

CDNS 5501 [0.5 credit]**Decolonizing Canada: Cultural Politics and Collective Identities**

Interdisciplinary examination of the politics of race, gender, class and cultural pluralism in Canada. Critical theoretical exploration of nationalism, regionalism, multiculturalism, neoliberalism, Aboriginal politics, diaspora and global human rights regimes and claims.

CDNS 5601 [0.5 credit]**Constructing Canada: The Politics of National Identity**

Interdisciplinary examination of national identity, public opinion, and public policy; the intersection of national visions of Canada and public policy; and the articulation of Canadian distinctiveness and sovereignty on the world stage. Topics include nationalism and national identity, branding Canada, and selected policy fields.

CDNS 5700 [0.5 credit]**Arctic Passages: The Changing Dynamics of Canada's North**

Interdisciplinary exploration of changing political, economic, and cultural relationships between Inuit and non-Inuit interests in the Canadian Arctic. Emphasis on the role of global processes, such as the rise of the circumpolar movement and environmental change, in mediating these relationships.

CDNS 5800 [1.0 credit]**Internship/Practicum**

Internships or practicum placements are set in an institutional setting outside of the University. Students in the research essay option are restricted to a maximum of 0.5 credits in an Internship/Practicum. Students must complete a formal written paper in addition to their internship/practicum activities.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Prerequisite(s): completion of one full credit of coursework in Canadian Studies and prior approval of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies. For students in the coursework option only.

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CDNS 5900 [1.0 credit]**Directed Studies**

Reading and research tutorials supervised by a qualified adviser, in an area not covered by an existing seminar. Directed Studies are organized by individual students with a faculty member.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies.

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CDNS 5908 [1.0 credit]**Research Essay**

Approval of the Research Essay Proposal is required prior to registration in this course.

CDNS 5909 [2.0 credits]**M.A. Thesis**

Approval of the Thesis Proposal is required prior to registration in this course.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

CDNS 6900 [1.0 credit]**Ph.D. Core Seminar: Interdisciplinarity in Canadian Studies: Concepts, Theories and Methods**

Available only to Ph.D. students in Canadian Studies.

An examination of the complex theoretical and methodological issues associated with the discourse on an interdisciplinary study of Canada.

Prerequisite(s): enrolment in the Canadian Studies Ph.D. program.

CDNS 6901 [0.5 credit]**Ph.D. Tutorial**

Available only to Ph.D. students in Canadian Studies. Reading and research tutorials. A program of research and written work in an area not covered by an existing graduate seminar.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies.

CDNS 6902 [0.5 credit]**Ph.D. Tutorial**

Available only to Ph.D. students in Canadian Studies. Reading and research tutorials. A program of research and written work in an area not covered by an existing graduate seminar.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies.

CDNS 6905 [0.5 credit]**Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination**

Available only to Ph.D. students in Canadian Studies. Students will receive a grade of Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory or Pass with Distinction.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies.

CDNS 6907 [0.5 credit]**Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination**

Available only to Ph.D. students in Canadian Studies. Students will receive a grade of Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory or Pass with Distinction.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies.

CDNS 6909 [0.0 credit]**Ph.D. Thesis**

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Prerequisite(s): permission of the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies.