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New College Programs

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*You do not have to be a New College student to enrol in New College programs; the programs are open to all Faculty of Arts and Science students.

AFRICAN STUDIES PROGRAM

The African studies program examines the history, society and culture of Africa. The core courses are drawn from anthropology, history, literature and political science, together with a few interdisciplinary courses. Additional courses in these disciplines and in philosophy, sociology and music round out the program offerings.

WHAT ARE THE PROGRAM OPTIONS?

Students have the option of pursuing a formal course of study through different levels of specialization. There is a specialist program (eleven specified courses), a major program (six specified courses), and a minor program (four courses). The specialist program requires two years of language study designed to broaden access to the literature of Africa in French, Portuguese, Swahili, Arabic or another African language.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN FIRST YEAR?

If you are interested in enrolling in the African studies program, or just wish to take a course in African studies as an elective, you should take the first-year course, NEW 150Y (Introduction to African Studies). In this course, you will be introduced to topics such as the origins of African civilizations, the African experience of colonialism, African humanism and philosophy, and the dynamics of contemporary social organization, politics and culture.

BUDDHISM, PSYCHOLOGY AND MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM

The Buddhism, Psychology and Mental Health Program allows students to choose from a wide range of courses on mind, consciousness, cognitive science, psychology of religion, health psychology, and sociological analyses of physical and mental health to acquire an understanding of the contributions of Buddhism to the modern understanding of consciousness, mental health and illness, and determinants of physical health.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN FIRST YEAR?

RLG 100Y (World Religions) or any Buddhism related course.



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

NEW 214Y (Socially Engaged Buddhism) or RLG 206Y (The Buddhist Religious Tradition) provide the foundation for the minor. In the upper years of the program students choose two full course equivalents from the prescribed group: drawing on anthropology, cognitive science, philosophy and religion among other disciplines. Finally all students will take NEW432Y (The Healing Mind: Theories and Applications of Buddhist Psychology) as the capstone course in the program.

CARIBBEAN STUDIES PROGRAM

The Caribbean studies program consists of courses in Caribbean history, literature and thought which deal with a wide range of issues including gender, religion, politics, culture, ethnicity, race, development, language, colonialism and regional common markets.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN FIRST YEAR?

There are no first-year course prerequisites for the Caribbean studies program. You may wish to include history, anthropology or Spanish in your selection of first-year courses to provide maximum flexibility in course selection in higher years.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The specialist, major and minor programs in Caribbean studies all require completion of the core courses, NEW 224Y (Caribbean Thought I) and NEW 324Y (Caribbean Thought II). Others may be chosen from a broad list of courses including those taught by the departments of anthropology, English, history, political science, Spanish and Portuguese, or interdisciplinary courses sponsored by New College: NEW 223Y (Caribbean Literature and Society); NEW 322Y (The Contemporary African Novel); NEW 325H (Caribbean Women Thinkers); NEW 326Y (Indenture, Survival, Change), NEW 422Y (Performing and Transforming the Caribbean). Students registered in Caribbean studies are encouraged to pursue a complementary focus in another discipline.

STUDENT GROUPS

The Caribbean studies program has a close relationship with the three major Caribbean student associations on the St. George campus. Members of these associations sit on the Caribbean studies program committee and are in frequent contact with the program director.

EQUITY STUDIES PROGRAM

The interdisciplinary program in equity studies allows students to examine various models - historically and culturally specific - for conceptualizing social inequities and for bringing about equity. It draws together discourses on equity from the humanities, social sciences and sciences and is designed to encourage students to draw connections between different forms of social inequality which otherwise might be studied in isolation.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A DEGREE IN EQUITY STUDIES?

A background in equity studies is good preparation for many academic endeavours and careers in such areas as community services, education, international development, employment equity, law, mental health and public education, and social work.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN FIRST YEAR?

There are no first-year prerequisites for the equity studies program. You may wish to include sociology, anthropology, history, political science or women's studies courses in your selection of first-year courses to provide maximum flexibility in course selection in higher years.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The major program requires the completion of the core course, NEW 240Y (Introduction to Equity Studies), one full course from the New College Equity Studies offerings and five other courses drawn from a wide range of disciplines including aboriginal studies, anthropology, history, philosophy, political science and sociology.

EQUITY STUDIES STUDENT UNION

The Equity Studies Student Union (ESSU) is a vibrant and active student group whose members work throughout the year to provide extra-curricular events. The ESSU can be reached by calling 416-946-7689.

HUMAN BIOLOGY PROGRAMS

The human biology program is sponsored by New College. Please see the Human Biology Information sheet for more information.

PARADIGMS AND ARCHETYPES PROGRAM

The minor program in Paradigms and Archetypes provides opportunities for students studying different subjects, to explore, through a comparative analysis of primary sources, the structure and dynamics of paradigms: archetypal narratives, assumptions, myths, fantasies, analytical

protocols and methodologies which govern the conduct of disciplines in every field and all cultures. This program aims to access the roots of theory by allowing specific texts to raise the kinds of questions that generate theories as proposed answers.

Underlying the program's diversity of content are some unifying goals and common concerns, particularly the transdisciplinary innovation and analytical engagement with complex issues of gender, race and culture.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A DEGREE THAT INCLUDES PARADIGMS AND ARCHETYPES?

The Paradigms and Archetypes program is concerned with general education and does not lead to specific careers or post-graduate programs. It seeks to enhance and supplement the value of subjects which do provide such opportunities and appeals to students from a wide range of backgrounds and with diverse career and postgraduate aspirations (e.g. education, law, business, public service).

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN FIRST YEAR?

NEW 209Y (Stories) or any of the first year seminar courses provide a valuable introduction to humanism.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

NEW 209Y (Stories) or any of the first-year seminar courses provide a valuable introduction to paradigms and archetypes. The program consists of NEW 209Y (Stories), two other NEW core courses chosen from: NEW 301Y (Analogy and its Rituals), NEW 302Y (C.G. Jung: Stories, Dilemmas, Rituals), NEW 303H (The Hypothesis of the Unconscious), NEW 304Y (Dilemmas), NEW 306H (Tagore: Paradigms of Culture), NEW 308H (Satyajit Ray: Paradigms of Vision), NEW 402Y (Advanced Special Topics), NEW 432Y (The Healing Mind) and one other course from a prescribed group.

SOUTH ASIAN STUDIES PROGRAM

The South Asian studies program examines the history and culture of India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. Traditionally South Asia is presented as a living culture, a viable way of life for millions for over 3,000 years, and a source of inspiration to other parts of Asia for 2,000 years. Modern studies emphasize the history and development of South Asia's political, cultural and social institutions, the nature of the economy and the significance of class and ideology in the modern dynamics of continuity and change.

WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

Students can pursue a specialist, major or a minor program. The specialist program requires two years of language study in Sanskrit, Punjabi, Bengali, or demonstrated proficiency in another South Asian language. Programs may stress either the ancient or the modern aspects of South Asia or may explore those elements which fuse traditional religion and culture with contemporary patterns of politics and society.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN FIRST YEAR?

If you are interested in enrolling in the South Asian Studies Program you should take the first year course, NEW 114Y (Introduction to South Asian Studies). You may wish to include history, political science or religion courses in your first year in order to provide maximum flexibility of program and course choice in higher years. In addition, you may wish to include NEW 211Y (Introduction to Bengali), NEW 212Y (Introduction to Hindi) or NEW 213Y (Introduction to Tamil) in your first or second year.

WOMEN & GENDER STUDIES PROGRAM

The Women and Gender Studies Program at New College is an interdisciplinary program that offers a wide variety of courses in a rapidly developing field. Courses in women and gender studies cover such issues as the representation and social organization of gender and sexuality, women and health, gender issues in the law, the gendered politics of culture, postcolonialism and development, disability, and the history of feminism. Other courses which focus on gender are cross-listed from the Departments of Anthropology, Cinema Studies, East Asian Studies, English, Fine Art, French, Geography, German, Health Studies, History, Italian Studies, Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations, Philosophy, Physical Education and Health, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, Renaissance Studies, Sexual Diversity Studies, Slavic Languages & Literatures, Sociology, Spanish & Portuguese and can count as women and gender studies courses. Note that we also cross-listed courses from New College programs such as Caribbean Studies, Equity Studies and Paradigms and Archetypes.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A DEGREE IN WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES?

Women's studies graduates have found employment in such areas as social and community services, international development, human rights investigation, employment equity, mental health, journalism, politics and public education.



WHAT SHOULD I DO IN FIRST YEAR?

If you are interested in enrolling in the women's studies program, or if you would like to study women's studies as an elective, you should take the course NEW 160Y (Introduction to Women's Studies). This course examines the social relations of gender, race, class, sexuality and disability as they apply to women's lives and struggles in a global context.

WHAT ARE MY PROGRAM OPTIONS?

If you intend to focus your undergraduate studies in the area of women's studies, or are planning to do graduate work, you should enrol in the women's studies specialist program; or in the major program which, when combined with a major in another subject area leads to an honours B.A.. If you want to study women's studies as part of your general education you should enrol in the minor program. Please note that as of September, 2007, the Women and Gender Studies Institute (WGSi) will be offering a Master's Degree Program in Women and Gender Studies. For details, please go to www.utoronto.ca/wgsi/GWS/.

HIGH SCHOOL PREREQUISITES AND ADMISSION INFORMATION FOR NEW COLLEGE PROGRAMS

Students who are interested in African, Caribbean, South Asian or Woman and Gender studies should apply to either the humanities or social sciences admission categories on the St. George campus.

If you are interested in Equity Studies, apply to the social sciences admission category on the St. George campus,

If you are interested in Paradigms and Archetypes or Buddhism, Psychology and Mental Health, apply to humanities admission category at the St. George campus,

For the humanities and social sciences admission categories, you will require at least six senior high school credits (Grade 12 U or M courses in the Ontario school system) including English 4U.

For Human Biology, apply to the life sciences admission categories. At least six senior high school credits (Grade 12 U or M courses in the Ontario school system) including English 4U, Advanced Functions, and Calculus and Vectors are required. Senior high school Biology and Chemistry are recommended. Students apply to a program of study at the end of first year. The prerequisites required for the Human Biology programs are listed on the Human Biology Information Sheet.

Students outside of Ontario should have the equivalent senior high school credits.

For September 2008 admission, we will be accepting some combinations of old and new math courses. For further information, please visit www.artsci.utoronto.ca/prospective/admissions/requirements/ontariohs.