

# STU

## Anthropology






Anthropology is the study of human diversity — past and present — in its material, physical, social, and cultural forms. It's a hands-on field of study that focuses on interaction with groups in various social contexts, the excavation of artifacts, and the analysis of bones.

### Why Anthropology at STU

You will benefit from our program's emphasis on practical fieldwork and anthropological experience. Our lab provides a space to examine fossils and artifacts, and many courses incorporate off-campus opportunities for observation, research, and analysis.

#### Course Areas

-  Archaeology
-  Ethnomusicology
-  Forensic Anthropology (optional minor available)
-  Social-Cultural Anthropology
-  Ethnography

### Where the Study of Anthropology Can *Take You*

You will develop strong analytical skills, the capacity for critical thinking, the ability to write clearly and communicate effectively, and a heightened awareness of — and appreciation for — human diversity.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of exciting fields of work:



Urban and Community Planning



Museums and Historical Organizations



Government



Social Work



Journalism



Law



International Non-Governmental Organizations



Education

## Anthropology in Society Today

Our teaching approach provides anti-racist, anti-colonial, and anti-patriarchal knowledge. This enables you to understand the social and political complexities of the past and present, empowering you to think and act critically when exposed to intersectional inequalities — which continue to be at the forefront of today's most pressing issues.

## A Note from the Chair

**“David Graeber, one of the most influential anthropologists of our time, opened his book of essays *Possibilities* (2007) with the following: ‘I decided to call this collection ‘Possibilities’ because the word encompasses much of what originally inspired me to become an anthropologist.’ As the Chair of Anthropology at St. Thomas University, I would like to welcome you to join us in exploring and discussing these ‘possibilities’ in our classes.”**

**Dr. Csilla Dallos**, Chair, Anthropology

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Participate in fieldwork projects that include off-campus visits, research and analysis, and lab work.
- The Richard Costello Memorial Lab provides a space to complete hands-on work with fossils for forensic science and physical anthropology assignments.
- Connect the study of Anthropology with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.



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## Aquinas: Great Books



Aquinas: Great Books is a unique interdisciplinary approach to your first year at St. Thomas University. In this seminar-style course, you will read and discuss great works of literature, philosophy, and political theory.

### How Aquinas Works

Aquinas: Great Books is made up of three individual first-year courses. You will earn credits for all three courses and will have space in your course schedule to register for two other courses per semester to round out your first-year schedule.

#### Featured Courses



English



Political Science



Philosophy

### Why Aquinas: Great Books for Your First Year?

Aquinas: Great Books takes a team-teaching approach where classes are taught by three professors from different disciplines. This allows you to draw connections between subjects and examine complex issues from multiple perspectives. Aquinas classes typically have 25–30 students, which creates a tight-knit learning environment that fosters connection, discussion, and debate. In these small classes, you will be encouraged to participate and share your ideas with your peers.

### A Fantastic First-Year Experience

“Aquinas was my favourite class in my first year, and one of my favourite experiences overall. If you have an interest in reading, thinking, and discussion, this will be an incredible class for you.”

Laura Rea, BA'22  
Strategic Policy and Projects Coordinator at the Nature Trust of New Brunswick





## In Aquinas, *you will learn to*

- Evaluate complex arguments
- Express your opinions — orally and in writing
- Develop your own ideas about ethics, morality, law, and art

## The Benefits of Aquinas

Aquinas is a challenge and helps develop solid analytical, reading, and writing skills. It's also a great environment to get comfortable speaking in front of others and discussing opposing opinions in a civil and structured way. Beyond the many academic benefits of Aquinas, it helps challenge and shape your thoughts and opinions, as well as introduce new views about the world around you.

## After Aquinas

After Aquinas: Great Books, you move on to your second year with the freedom to choose courses from any academic field that interests you. Aquinas students pursue majors and minors from all disciplines at St. Thomas and are prepared for the reading, writing, and critical thinking each department demands.

Aquinas: Great Books students have gone on to win Rhodes Scholarships, Governor General's Medals, Canada Graduate Scholarships, and have been admitted to top graduate and law school programs in Canada, the United States, and Europe.



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## Bachelor of Arts



Our core academic program is the four-year undergraduate Bachelor of Arts. Pursued through a multidisciplinary approach that combines rigorous academics, professional experience, and social responsibility, a STU education provides you with diverse knowledge, experience, and perspective.

## Choosing St. Thomas University

### A Personalized University Experience

Take courses from multiple disciplines to explore different ideas and perspectives before focusing on a preferred area of study in upper years. This gives you the freedom and flexibility to study your interests and creates a university experience that is uniquely personal.

### A Supportive Community to Help Along the Way

At STU, you'll join a tight-knit, diverse, and welcoming community. You will receive guidance and support — academic and personal — from peers, faculty, and staff who want to see you succeed.

### Experiences That Prepare You for What's Next

We pair academics with experience. Through internships, community engagement, research projects, and leadership conferences, you will enhance your learning, build your resume, and grow academically and professionally.

## Academic Programs




- Anthropology
- Catholic Studies
- Communications and Public Policy
- Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Digital Media and Creative Arts
- Economics (Option in Business)
- English Language and Literature (Optional concentration in Creative Writing)
- Environment and Society
- Fine Arts (Options in Film, Music, Musical Theatre, and Visual Arts)
- French
- Gerontology
- Great Books
- History
- Human Rights
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- International Relations
- Irish Studies
- Journalism
- Law, Politics, and Society
- Native Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Social Entrepreneurship and Nonprofit Management
- Spanish and Latin American Studies
- Women's Studies and Gender Studies

**“STU offers you the chance to branch out and explore areas that will support and complement your main path, giving you expertise in various subjects and opening you to more career opportunities.”**

**Kaitlynn Benjamin, BA'23** (Communications and Public Policy)  
Special Events Coordinator, St. Francis Xavier University

## Small Class Advantage

Our classes are capped at 60 students, but the average class size is 23. This allows you to form meaningful connections with your peers and professors, which benefits you by:

-  **Fostering a collaborative and supportive learning space.**
-  **Creating an established working relationship with professors that will make it easier to ask for help.**
-  **Giving you trusted resources for academic guidance, reference letters, and networking.**



## Critical and Transferable Skills

Studying at St. Thomas provides you with a work-ready degree that reflects your interests and ambitions. Earning knowledge from multiple fields opens more doors and allows graduates to adapt to an ever-changing professional landscape. The versatility of a STU degree is often credited as the reason graduates enter — and advance — in their career.

**By the end of your degree, you will have developed advanced skills in:**



**Critical thinking and analysis**



**Writing**



**Creative problem solving**



**Communication**



**Adaptability**



**Collaboration and teamwork**

**“My time at STU helped me develop critical thinking, communication skills, problem solving, research skills, and a passion for helping others. STU prepares graduates to take on challenges and develop creative solutions to the social problems impacting communities around the world.”**

**Emilia Gutierrez, BA'21 (Human Rights and Sociology)**  
Education Officer, New Brunswick Human Rights Commission



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## Bachelor of Education



Great teachers change lives. They lead, mentor, challenge, and inspire. Teachers have a lasting impact on their students — whether they're working in the classroom or another capacity.

### Starting at STU

The four-year Bachelor of Arts at STU provides a firm foundation for professional programs including the post-degree Bachelor of Education.

#### *Multidisciplinary Advantage*

STU's multidisciplinary approach will allow you to bring a breadth of knowledge to your Education degree and give you the opportunity to major in more than one teachable subject, like English, History, Journalism, Psychology, Sociology, Philosophy, Political Science, or Anthropology.

#### *Small Classes, Big Benefits*

Your experience in small classes that emphasize engagement, discussion, and debate will prepare you for the advanced level of interaction required in the Education Program. The skills you will gain through STU's Bachelor of Arts — communication, public speaking, critical thinking, creative problem solving, adaptability — will be invaluable as you learn different inclusionary teaching approaches and take your place at the front of the class.

#### *Experiences That Enhance Learning*

Opportunities to enhance your learning through internships, clubs and societies, service learning, and volunteer work during your Bachelor of Arts will give you diverse knowledge, experience, and perspective with which to approach your Education degree. They will also help you develop leadership skills, professionalism, and the capacity for collaboration which will all be essential for your post-graduate studies and beyond.

### Bachelor of Education — *Theory in Practice*

With professional courses and extensive classroom experience, the STU Bachelor of Education program encourages cross-disciplinary approaches to teaching and emphasizes cooperative learning and practical teaching techniques. **Three different concentrations are offered:**



**Elementary (K-5)**



**Middle/Secondary (6-12)**



**French Second Language**

**“STU thoroughly prepared me to become the best teacher I can be. The methods courses, the two different practicum experiences, and the electives prepared me to take on teaching full-time. STU has high standards — setting me up for success.”**

**Jerry-Faye Platt, BA'20, BEd'23**  
Art and Music Teacher, Minto Middle-Elementary School



## What Sets STU's Education Program Apart?

### *Start your Career Sooner*

Our program is delivered over 11 months and includes the same coursework and certification as a two-year program.

### *Classroom Experience*

During your Education degree, you will complete two field placements at different schools and age levels. This will give you hands-on experience and allow you to connect with — and receive guidance from — teachers at your placement school.

### *Faculty Expertise*

Our faculty bring diverse backgrounds and experiences to the classroom that will enrich and expand your learning.

### *Make Connections*

Many of our Education students make meaningful connections and secure teaching positions at the career fair hosted through the STU program.



## Preparing for Education During Your Undergrad at STU

**If you're interested in applying for the Bachelor of Education following your Bachelor of Arts at STU, you are encouraged to:**

- Connect with the program director in your upper years with any program-related questions you may have.
- Utilize Academic Advising services to ensure you are on track to meet the Bachelor of Education admission requirements.
- Seek out experiential learning, internship, and volunteer opportunities that connect to education and further develop your leadership, collaboration, and communication skills.

## Admission Requirements

**To be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Education program, you must satisfy three minimum requirements:**

- 1 A four-year (minimum 120 credit hours) bachelor's degree from a recognized university or be a candidate for the degree in May.
- 2 A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.7 or a minimum of 2.7 on your most recent 60 credit hours attempted is required.
- 3 Teachables requirements: Applicants must have (a) 30 credit hours as a major in one teachable subject area, or (b) 24 credit hours in one major teachable subject area and 18 credit hours in another teachable subject area.



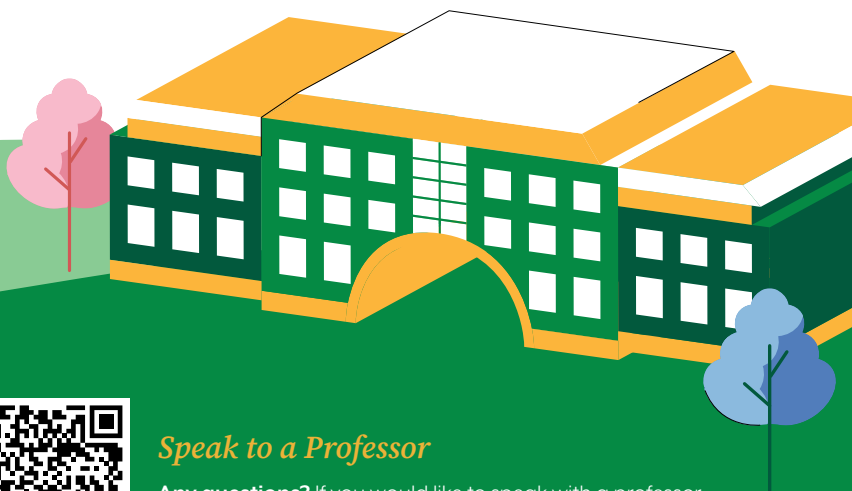
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## Bachelor of Social Work



Social problems like poverty and homelessness, gendered violence, racial discrimination, and climate change are viewed as being rooted in structural inequalities. These inequalities lead to economic, political, social, and cultural disparities for whole populations of people.

Social Work emphasizes the importance of understanding the structural roots of social problems in society. It is a political activity aimed at initiating social change at all levels to promote equality and inclusion.

### Social Work at STU

Our four-year Bachelor of Social Work program is the only English language program in New Brunswick. It is structured to give you theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience in transformative social work practice. Our program will enable you to challenge structural injustices, learn critical theories, and understand how different forms of power and oppression operate in the world.

### *Apply to Social Work*

You can apply to the Bachelor of Social Work program following your second year of Arts at STU. When you complete your four-year degree, you will graduate with a Bachelor of Social Work instead of a Bachelor of Arts.

**“The Bachelor of Social Work program has been equally challenging and rewarding. I do not think the same way I did before — my understanding of diversity, institutional systems, and ethics has changed, and I have found myself questioning my understanding of the world and the things around me.”**






**Hannah MacQuarrie, BSW'23**  
Clinical Social Worker, Horizon Health Network

### Gain Professional Experience

During your Bachelor of Social Work, you will complete two field placements — a direct field placement and a social action field placement. These professional experiences will allow you to engage in practical social work and expose you to the process of initiating social change at an institutional, community, and socio-economic level.



## Topics in Social Work

-  History, values, ethics, and skills of social work practice
-  Critical analysis of social welfare, social policy, and social services
-  Challenging oppression and confronting privilege in social work practice
-  Community organizing
-  Preparation for professional practice

## Admission Requirements

### To be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Social Work program, you must have:

- A minimum of 60 credit hours in liberal arts with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, or a minimum GPA of 3.0 on the most recent 30 credit hours.
- A minimum grade of "B" in SCWK 2013 Introduction to Social Welfare and a minimum grade of "B" in SCWK 2023 Introduction to Social Work.
- A critical awareness of the interaction among the individual and the social, political, and economic aspects of society and a demonstrated recognition that for structural social workers the focus for change is the structure of society rather than the individual.
- Evidence of familiarity with, and commitment to, the profession of social work, as well as the capacity to learn from experience.

## Mi'kmaq Maliseet Bachelor of Social Work Program

The Mi'kmaq Maliseet Bachelor of Social Work is an accredited program that provides First Nation individuals with an opportunity to receive social work education within a flexible and culturally relevant framework that recognizes First Nations' systems of knowledge, practice, and ways of learning.

## Master of Social Work Program

The Master of Social Work is a full-time, one-year professional-based graduate degree program offered to students with a first-level social work degree from a university program. It focuses on advanced clinical practice with a structural lens providing students with advanced theory and practice skills in professional leadership and social work supervision. There is also a two-year option for students who have completed a Bachelor of Arts and prerequisite coursework.



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## Certificate in Digital and Media Literacy



Digital literacy has been an increasingly invaluable skill in the job market for decades and is quickly becoming essential for productive participation in society.

The Certificate in Digital and Media Literacy combines courses in digital and media literacy with workshops and experiential learning to give you the opportunity to gain knowledge and apply conceptual understanding in real-world settings.

### Building Your Resume

In an increasingly digital world, every business, organization, and corporation need individuals who have the ability to navigate and understand digital platforms and the skills to productively and thoughtfully participate in digital culture. The Certificate in Digital and Media Literacy provides tangible evidence of the knowledge and practical skills you've earned during your degree. This will allow you to demonstrate your experience to potential employers and graduate schools.

### Earning the Certificate

This certificate can be completed at the same time as your Bachelor of Arts. To earn the certificate, you must complete the following:



Five Digital and Media Literacy courses



Attend two STU-organized workshops



Complete a community micro-project or internship

“This certificate allowed me to exercise some skills I had already worked on throughout my studies, but it also helped me gain valuable perspective on the digital field. The skills and knowledge you get from the workshops and internships are transferable to any area you’d like to pursue after graduation.”

**Reinaldo Cascante, BA'23**  
Marketing and Communications  
Coordinator at Ignite

### Courses: Building Knowledge and Understanding

Courses will build your knowledge and understanding of the digital landscape and its impact on history, politics, the economy, health, and society. The certificate draws on courses from departments like Anthropology, Communications and Public Policy, English, History, Journalism, Psychology, and Sociology.



## Featured Courses

- The Business of Social Media
- Digital Media Creation
- Digital Media Production
- Media and Politics in Canada
- Digital Journalism
- Crime and the Media

## Workshops: Learning Collaboratively

Workshops will allow you to work and learn collaboratively with peers, faculty, and industry experts. In addition to providing training on how to use the digital tools, the workshops will also explore themes like disinformation, cryptocurrencies, social media management, digital activism, and more.

## Experiential Learning: Theory in Practice

The experiential learning component of the certificate will allow you to put theory into practice, gain professional experience, and build your network. This can be completed in one of two ways:

**1. Micro-project:** This may take the form of independent content creation, contribution to a digital project with involvement from partners in the community, volunteer work, or student-driven entrepreneurship.

**2. Internship:** Complete a one-semester internship with a local organization or enroll in an internship-style course, like those offered in Communications and Public Policy, Economics, Human Rights, or Journalism.



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## Certificate in Experiential Learning and Community Engagement



Gaining professional experience that relates to your academic and career interests is an integral part of the student experience at St. Thomas. One way we offer this is through the Certificate in Experiential Learning and Community Engagement.

This certificate is unique to STU. It combines coursework with volunteerism and reflection to help you apply your knowledge to real-world issues and bring theory to life.

### Building Your Resume

The Certificate in Experiential Learning and Community Engagement allows you to demonstrate to potential employers and graduate schools that you've immersed yourself in hands-on learning, have gained practical skills, and have taken an active role in your community. The certificate also:



**Supports you in applying your knowledge and understanding to real societal issues.**



**Provides you with a foundation of analytical, reflective, interpersonal, and leadership skills.**



**Provides tangible evidence of the experiential learning and community service completed during your studies.**

### Earning the Certificate

This certificate can be completed at the same time as your Bachelor of Arts degree. To earn the certificate, you must complete:



**Nine credit hours from the list of approved courses**



**30 volunteer hours**



**3–5 reflection activities**



**“Completing the Certificate in Experiential Learning and Community Engagement allowed me to apply the knowledge and skills I gained from my academic studies. Through the certificate, I discovered my passion for social media marketing, and I was able to make a real-world difference through community involvement.”**

**Isabella Mehltz, BA'23**  
Communications and Marketing Officer, City of Fredericton

## Courses: Gaining Skills and Knowledge

The course-based component of the certificate combines academics, reflection, and learning objectives with meaningful experiential learning activities that take you outside the classroom. The courses link theory with action through self-reflection, self-discovery, and the acquisition of values, skills, and knowledge.

## Experiential Learning Courses at STU

### Courses that count towards STU's Certificate in Experiential Learning include:

- Foundations of Leadership
- Applied Leadership
- Introduction to Business
- Business Communications and Marketing
- Ecological Literacy
- Digital Media Creation
- ...and more!

## Volunteerism: Applying Your Knowledge

Community engaged service takes you out of familiar surroundings and routines and immerses you in a new environment. Choose a volunteer opportunity that reflects your interests and ambitions and learn to apply what you've learned in class in a real-world setting.



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## Communications and Public Policy



Communications and Public Policy explores the connection between communicating with citizens and creating, implementing, and evaluating public policy. Communications has become one of the primary ways we receive information — through social media, online, or public or media relations.

### Why Communications and Public Policy at STU

Our program is the only undergraduate major in Communications and Public Policy in Canada and the only program of its kind that includes a focus on policy in all four years of study. The program offers flexibility — you will have the option to complete a second major — and courses cover a wide range of topics including communications writing, marketing, social media, and crisis communications.



### Where the Study of Communications and Public Policy Can *Take You*

Gain advanced skills in writing, multimedia and social media, communication, critical thinking, and public speaking. Our program provides a unique combination of practical tools, policy skills, and professional experience that set you apart.

**Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of exciting fields of work:**



Marketing



Business



Professional Communications



Government



Private Sector Organizations



Public Relations



Journalism



## Communications and Public Policy in Society Today

Communications is one of the fastest growing fields in professional organizations, from government to the private sector and non-profits. Every organization needs communications professionals to interact with the public, communicate information internally, and disseminate information through online channels, social media, and public relations.

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Communications and Public Policy includes mandatory for-credit internships in upper years. You will complete two supervised professional internships in a communications agency, non-profit organization, or government office.



- Connect the study of Communications and Public Policy with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## A Note from the Program Coordinator



**“The Communications and Public Policy Program welcomes new students — we hope that you are excited about being part of our innovative curriculum. First-year students are encouraged to take Introduction to Communications and Introduction to Policy Studies to learn about the communications profession and how policy interacts with it. These are some of the most important skills and knowledge an undergraduate can acquire. We hope to see you in class soon!”**

**Dr. Jamie Gillies, Coordinator, Communications and Public Policy**



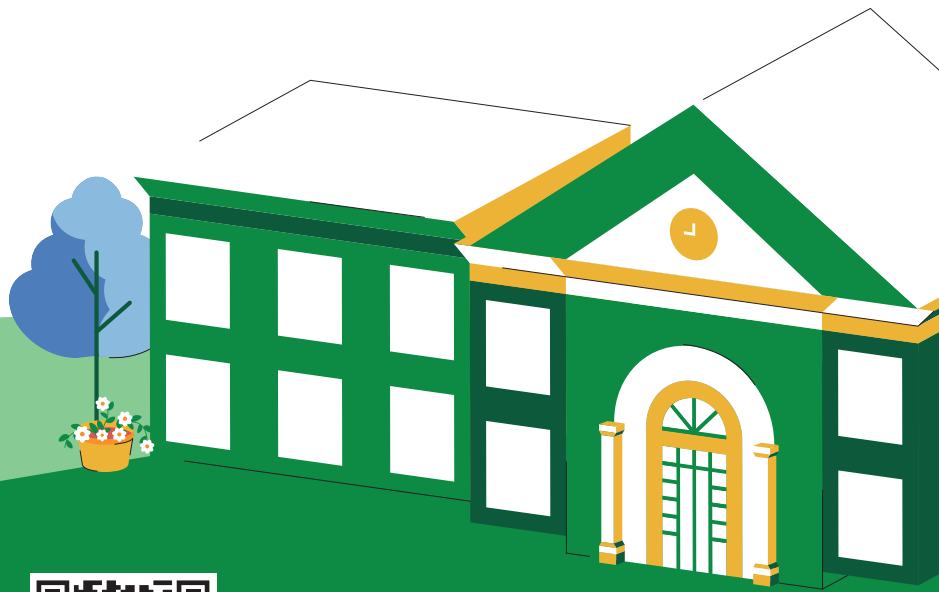
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## Criminology and Criminal Justice



Criminology is the study of crime, the consequences of crime, people who engage in crime, and the reasons for that engagement. Criminal Justice examines the Canadian criminal justice system and includes areas such as corrections, victimology, police, courts, youth-at-risk, and criminal procedure.



### Criminology and Criminal Justice at STU

Criminology and Criminal Justice at STU emphasizes critical thinking and allows for an examination of the legal system's problems and inequalities, while sparking discussion about creative solutions. Professors come from various academic backgrounds — criminology, law, psychology, bioethics, sociology — which brings different perspectives to the study of crime and its policies.

### Discover Where Criminology and Criminal Justice Can *Take You*

Develop a skillset that is analytical and practical, while learning to think critically, communicate effectively, and problem solve creatively. Our program will develop your academic and research literacy and empower you to question the policies and institutions in place for those identified as criminal, as well as the victims of criminal behaviour. Graduates are prepared for meaningful careers in fields like:

- ✓ Policing
- ✓ Probation
- ✓ Parole
- ✓ Law
- ✓ Civil Service
- ✓ Border Relations
- ✓ Non-Governmental Organizations
- ✓ Humanitarian Work
- ✓ Social Work

**“My experience at STU gave me the chance to grow beyond what I could have ever imagined. I was better qualified to apply for future opportunities thanks to my educational experience.”**

**Simon Wassef, BA'21**  
Strategic Communications, RCMP

## You might be interested in studying Criminology and Criminal Justice *if...*

- You have ever questioned the workings of the criminal justice system.
- You want a better understanding of the reasons individuals engage in crime.
- You are interested in social justice and want to make a difference.

### Faculty Research and Expertise

- Criminal law and legal theory
- History of crime
- Youth justice
- Crime in popular film
- Intimate partner violence
- Effective correctional programming with inmates
- Socio-legal context of sexual violence

### Featured Courses

- Criminal Law
- Youth Justice
- Victimology
- Crime and the Media
- Wrongful Conviction
- Crime in Popular Film

## Certificate in Criminology and Criminal Justice

STU offers a Certificate in Criminology and Criminal Justice designed to encourage those who already have at least one year of work experience in the field of criminal justice or public safety to critically evaluate and consider the increasing complex challenges of the criminal justice system.

## A Note from the Department

**“Welcome future criminologists! Criminology and Criminal Justice are fascinating fields of study, but they’re particularly fun to pursue at St. Thomas where all are encouraged to be broader, more creative thinkers. At STU, you will learn about crime and criminal justice from professors who come from a wide array of research backgrounds, and you will be encouraged to think about crime from many different angles and to critically examine the criminal justice system. Come explore these and other fascinating questions in Criminology at STU. We can’t wait to see you in September!”**

**Dr. Karla O'Regan, Criminology and Criminal Justice**



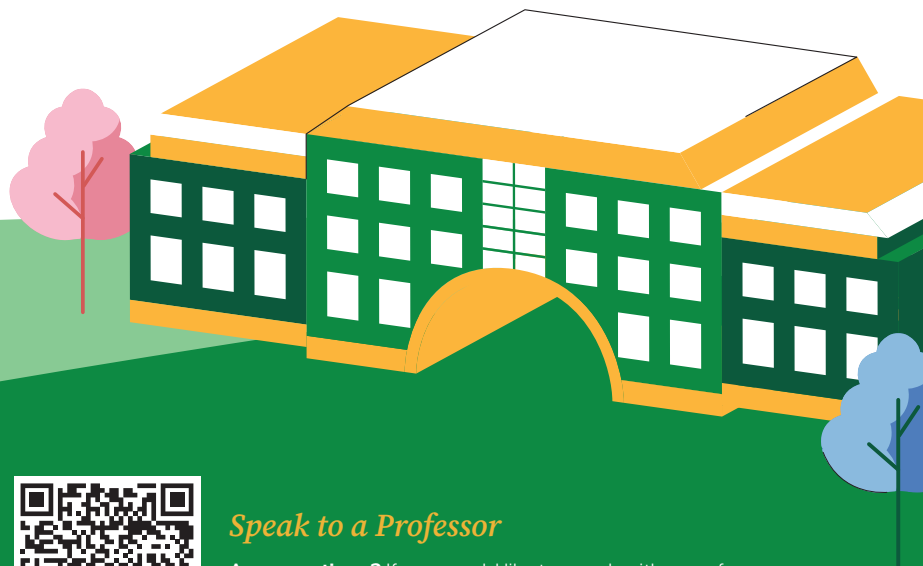
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## Digital Media and Creative Arts



Digital Media and Creative Arts explores the relationship between digital media, the arts, and society.

### Why Digital Media and Creative Arts at STU

Our Digital Media and Creative Arts program is interdisciplinary in nature and draws on courses from Communications and Public Policy, Journalism, Criminology, English, Sociology, Fine Arts, Human Rights, and Native Studies. This allows for a broader range of study and the inclusion of a wide variety of courses on topics like digital literature, podcasting, digital painting and sculpting, and acting for digital media.



### Digital Media and Creative Arts in Society Today

In recent years, digital platforms have become the main conduit for artistic expression and social communication. The media landscape is changing and there is an increased demand for graduates with skills in video production, audio and written storytelling, and digital content creation. Studying Digital Media and Creative Arts will allow you to develop these essential skills while being grounded in the liberal arts and gaining a deep understanding of media literacy in the digital age.

### Where the Study of Digital Media and Creative Arts Can *Take You*

Digital Media and Creative Arts combines theoretical knowledge with hands-on experience. You will develop skills in media literacy, writing, editing, critical thinking, and communication, while gaining practical experience in digital storytelling through the creation of videos, podcasts, visual arts, and more.

#### This prepares graduates for meaningful careers in fields like:



Content Creation and Production



Education



Marketing



Public Relations



Journalism



Communications



Business

## You might be interested in studying Digital Media and Creative Arts *if...*

- You are interested in pursuing a career in digital creation.
- You want to develop your digital literacy.
- You enjoy content creation and want to gain experience with audio, video, and editing tools.
- You enjoy writing and storytelling.

## Faculty Expertise



Journalism



Communications and Public Policy



English



Sociology



Criminology

## Featured Courses

- Digital Media Creation
- Digital Photography
- Documentary Film
- Digital Media Production
- Digital Journalism
- Radio and Podcasting

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Internship courses offered through Journalism and Communications and Public Policy will help you hone your skills and develop a professional network.
- Spend time creating and familiarizing yourself with video, audio, and editing equipment in the digital centre on campus.
- Connect the study of Digital Media and Creative Arts with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## Complete the Certificate in Digital and Media Literacy

Consider completing the Certificate in Digital and Media Literacy, which combines coursework with experiential learning and workshops. The certificate can be completed at the same time as your Bachelor of Arts and will allow you to apply conceptual understanding to real-world settings.

## A Note from the Faculty Advisor

“We are pleased to welcome you into the new Digital Media and Creative Arts program! This program will give you the opportunity to write, tell stories, make videos and podcasts, take photographs, and expand your knowledge by taking full advantage of the depth and breadth of course offerings at St. Thomas. This is a program that allows for great flexibility, so it’s important that you work closely with your faculty advisors when you arrive on campus and when you choose your courses in future years. We look forward to seeing you on campus soon!”

Professor Phillip Lee, Faculty Advisor, Digital Media and Creative Arts



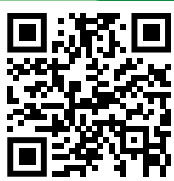
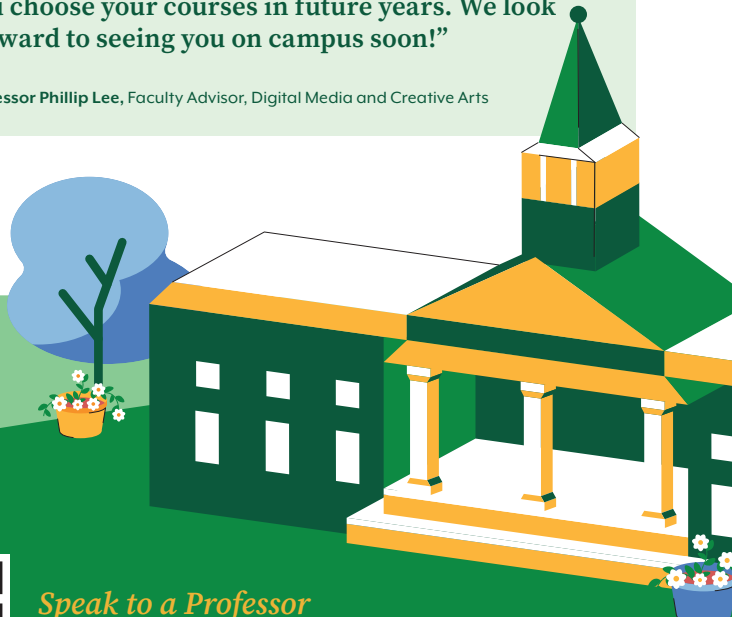
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## Economics



Economics is the study of how the economy works, where it came from, the challenges it creates for social equality and social justice, and how individuals engage to modify and change economic relations.

### Economics at STU

Economics at STU emphasizes critical thinking, analysis, problem solving, and open-mindedness. We are one of few programs that offer the opportunity to complete honours in mainstream economics or political economy – which focuses on the relations between the economy, politics, and social outcomes. You also have the option to complete a minor in business, which provides background in key aspects like accounting, marketing, personal financial planning, and management.

**“Despite the often-scientific nature of economics, our classes were able to gain a deeper understanding of how the topics we learned about fit within global and domestic politics and economies, giving me confidence in my academic ability.”**

**Evan Mackenzie, BA'23**  
Master in International Political Economy at the University of Groningen

### Where Economics Can Take You

By studying Economics, you will develop strong critical thinking, analysis, creative problem solving, and research skills while learning to navigate the ebb and flow of the economy. You will also gain the capacity to make informed decisions related to wealth and resources. There is strong demand for highly numerate graduates throughout the global labour market, and the widely transferable skills developed by Economics students means that careers are wide ranging and diverse.

#### Graduates are prepared for meaningful careers in fields like:

-  **Business and Entrepreneurship**
-  **Non-Governmental Organizations**
-  **Economic Development**
-  **Corporate Management and Consulting**
-  **Government**
-  **Public Policy**
-  **Law**

## You might be interested in studying Economics if...

- You are interested in the economy.
- You want to become an informed citizen.
- You want to make sense of world events, make informed financial decisions, and shape public policy.

### Faculty Research and Expertise

- Econometrics
- International trade
- Economics of globalization
- Ecological economics
- Feminist economics
- Economics of development
- Macroeconomics

### Featured Courses

- Economics of Poverty
- Political Economy of Crime
- History of Economic Thought
- Political Economy of Women
- Ecological Economics

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities

- Earn practical, hands-on experience through our Work Study course. The course will allow you to develop your skills in an applied work context by pairing you with a professional economist two days per week for one term on approved assignments.
- Connect the study of Economics with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## Study Business at STU

Students who choose to minor in Business through the Department of Economics have unique business courses available to them from both STU and the University of New Brunswick.

## A Note from the Department Chair

**“The STU liberal arts context is a great place to encounter the ideas of economists and the reasons why they sometimes disagree. Our campus has a sense of community which extends to the learning environment where students and faculty can communicate their questions and insights. The Economics Department looks forward to seeing you at STU soon!”**

**Dr. Dev Gupta,**  
Chair Economics



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## English Language and Literature



Studying English Language and Literature is about more than reading — it's about learning, through texts, to read the world we live in and understand the linguistic mechanisms that shape us.

### Why English Language and Literature at STU

You will benefit from a wide range of courses that provide an extensive exploration of literature and language. Courses explore themes like history, culture, theatre, film, technology, and media — old and new — as well as digital literacy. You also have the option to complete a Concentration in Creative Writing, which sharpens skills in style and strategy and offers several prizes and publication opportunities.



### Where the Study of English Language and Literature Can *Take You*

You will develop advanced skills in reading, writing, research, and communication. Through the study of various materials — medieval manuscripts, Elizabethan plays, novels, poems, and video games — you will hone your ability to think critically and analyze information.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of exciting fields of work:



Education



Publishing



Journalism



Law



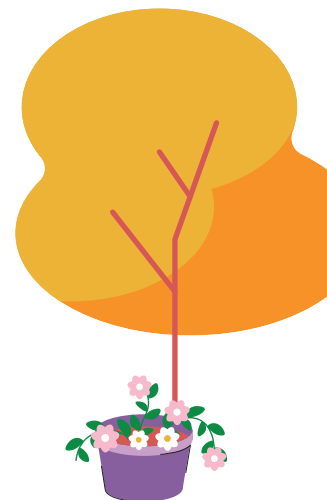
Event Management



Business



Theatre



## English Language and Literature in Society Today

Studying English is about developing skills in reading, writing, and understanding. These skills are invaluable in all aspects of life and will allow you to engage in society in a meaningful way.

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- In the Advanced Old English: Literature and Landscape course, students travel to the United Kingdom with their professor to use the culture, geography, and history of their surroundings as course material to enhance their learning.
- Connect the study of English with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## A Note from the Chair

"I'm very pleased to welcome students to the English Language and Literature Department. Your journey in English will begin with a broad overview of the discipline and move into more specialized, advanced courses as you progress through your degree. We hope you'll spend some time in an English class with us!"

Dr. Matte Robinson  
Chair, English Language and Literature



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## Environment and Society



### Creating Change for a Sustainable Future

Young people have a vision of the future they want — safe, inclusive communities, clean air and water, healthy food, and fulfilling livelihoods in a world that is fair and sustainable.

Yet, the climate crisis, plastic and chemical pollution, and the ongoing destruction of nature are threatening these goals.

### Focus on Sustainability Transitions

Our health and wellbeing depend on the wellbeing of the Earth. The Environment and Society program focuses on how we can live well without destroying the Earth — in other words, how to achieve a sustainable society.

With a focus on system change, we move beyond problem analysis towards reimagining social systems — the economy, politics, transportation, housing, food, consumer culture — through the lens of sustainability. You will acquire the knowledge and skills you need to make a tangible difference in your world and discover where and how you want to engage.

### Why Environment and Society at STU

Climate change, species extinctions and pollution are not scientific problems — they are social problems. They are symptoms of the way the economy is organized, how politics works, the patterns of consumer culture, and the ethics that shape public, institutional, and personal decisions.

Solutions to these problems require new economic, political, cultural, and ethical thinking — and turning that thinking into action.

This is what we study in Environment and Society. In doing so, we prepare you to become a leader in the quest for a sustainable future.

#### Featured Courses

- Understanding Environmental Problems
- Perspectives on Human-Nature Relations
- Understanding Sustainability
- Sustainability Communications
- Health and Sustainability
- Ethics of Sustainability: Thinking, Acting Green
- Energy and Society
- Ecological Economics
- Social Dimensions of Climate Change



## Where the Study of Environment and Society can *Take You*

The transition to a sustainable society must happen across every sector — business, government, not-for-profits and charities, households, public services, community planning, food, energy and transportation systems, educational institutions, faith communities, and the arts. No matter your passion or career path, there is a need for creative, strategic, and critical thinkers who will help realign society to be in harmony with all people and with the planet.

### There are meaningful career opportunities in:



Journalism



Communications



Law



Human Rights



Teaching



Social Enterprise and Business



Politics



Environmental Activism



Government



Community Planning



Public Policy



Sustainability Consulting



Public Health

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities

Several Environment and Society courses have experiential learning components. There are also many extra-curricular opportunities to learn by doing.

- Work with the **Campus Sustainability Office** to 'green' the STU campus.
- Participate in implementing a campus **Climate Action Plan**.
- Join student groups such as STU Sustainability and Enactus STU which promotes the UN sustainable development goals through social entrepreneurship.
- Develop environmental action campaigns.
- Engage with elected representatives and help influence government policy.
- Apply for internships and study trips.

## Research Opportunities

If research is your passion or you think you may want to go on to graduate school, Environment and Society faculty are involved in research projects and often hire student Research Assistants.

## A Note from the Program Coordinator

**"The most important goal of an education is to make a difference in the world, and today, nothing is more important than the future of Planet Earth. All life depends on what we do collectively over the next decade. Environment and Society will prepare you to take a leadership role in making sure we do the right things — for people and the planet. Join us in this critical and exciting journey."**

Dr. Janice Harvey, Coordinator, Environment & Society



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## Experiential Learning



Experiential learning means learning through experience. It's the act of putting in-class learning to work in practical, professional, and engaging environments.

Experiential learning allows you to see how theories discussed in class translate into real world settings, and how the skills you've developed can be used in the workplace and in your community.

## Experiential Learning at STU

- ✓ Paid Internships
- ✓ Community-Based Learning
- ✓ Projects and Case Studies
- ✓ Field Placements
- ✓ Volunteering Opportunities
- ✓ Entrepreneurship
- ✓ Global Opportunities

These experiences will give you insight into how your degree translates into the workforce and will help you build a strong professional network before you graduate.



## Career Development Services

STU provides career development services that can help you identify your goals and create a plan to achieve them. Individualized support is available from first to fourth year and includes job search strategies, refining resume writing, interview preparation, and networking.

**“The great thing about internships is that you’re not only learning discipline-specific things, but you are also building transferable skills, which will benefit you in more ways than you may realize. My internship placement was the perfect opportunity to apply the knowledge I gained in the classroom to real-life interactions.”**

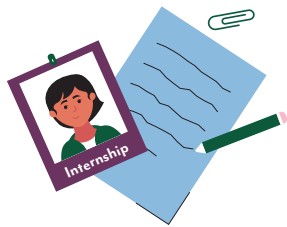
**Robyn MacCara, BA'23 (Gerontology)**  
Administrative Assistant for Nursing Home Without Walls at York Care Centre

## Internship Program

The STU Internship Program pairs academic interest with professional work experience to provide a personalized placement that relates to your academic and career goals. Partnerships with over 65 different organizations will provide you with diverse opportunities to build your knowledge and resume.

## Internship Partners

- Beaverbrook Art Gallery
- Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick
- Government of New Brunswick
- Kehkimin Wolastoqey School
- Nature Trust of New Brunswick
- Provincial Archives of NB
- Theatre New Brunswick
- York Care Centre



## Indigenous Experiential Learning

Indigenous Experiential Learning at STU offers paid internships, career exploration opportunities, volunteer experiences, and exposure to the rich culture and language of the Indigenous people of the Wabanaki Territory. It connects Indigenous and non-Indigenous students through hands-on learning, which enhances their creativity and personal and professional development.



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## Certificate in Experiential Learning and Community Engagement

This certificate can be earned concurrently with your Bachelor of Arts. It combines coursework with volunteer experience and reflection activities and provides tangible evidence of the hands-on and community-based learning completed during your degree.

## Leadership Development

At STU, you will find opportunities to develop your leadership and professional skills through conferences, global learning experiences, and professional development workshops.

When you graduate, you will have a resume that includes a variety of experiences on-campus and within the broader Fredericton community!





# STU

## Fine Arts



The study of Fine Arts broadens your understanding of art using a hands-on perspective while developing your aesthetic literacy. You will examine the technical, social, performance, and historical perspectives of Fine Arts.

### Why Fine Arts at STU

Students have the option to focus in Music, Musical Theatre, Visual Arts, and/or Film. Courses offer the opportunity to discover and develop your creativity. Our faculty — all professional artists — welcome you at whatever your level of skill or experience and will work with you as you grow as an artist, student, and person.

### Where the Study of Fine Arts Can *Take You*

Studying Fine Arts will allow you to build your confidence through performing and sharing your work and refine your discipline and persistence through the mastery of skills in music, visual arts, musical theatre, or film. Fine Arts also gives you the capacity for creative problem solving, adaptability, and teamwork.

Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of exciting fields of work:

- ✓ Music and Composition
- ✓ Theatre
- ✓ Visual Arts
- ✓ Education
- ✓ Advertising
- ✓ Design
- ✓ Digital Media
- ✓ Arts Management



## Music

Perform, arrange, and compose solo or ensemble pieces, while also learning the theoretical, historical, and cultural aspects of music.

## Musical Theatre

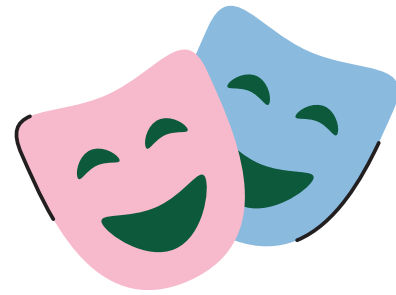
Take practical classes in acting, singing, and dancing; receive one-on-one coaching from professionals; and participate in live performances.

## Visual Arts

Explore the concepts, material, processes, and vocabulary of art and design and pursue drawing, sketching, watercolour painting, and/or sculpting.

## Film

Take courses in acting for film and film production.



## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

Fine Arts is a hands-on, practical field of study that gives you the opportunity to create and harness your own creativity.

- In Music courses, you will teach in nearby schools and perform in community centres. Through an existing partnership with the Saint John String Quartet, you will have the chance to hear your compositions performed by professionals — and get their feedback!
- Through courses in Visual Arts, you will have the opportunity to display your artwork on campus. Students have also had their work included in publications.
- Musical Theatre presents a live production on campus each year in the Black Box Theatre. Previous shows have included *Chicago*, *Sweeney Todd*, and *Cabaret*.
- Connect the study of Fine Arts with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## A Note from the Chair

**“All the Fine Arts classes are taught by professionals — musicians, actors, sculptors, dancers, and painters — who have extensive experience and wide recognition as artist-teachers. Classes are offered at various levels, allowing you to enter and explore your passion at any level of proficiency. Our interdisciplinary degree options are highly flexible, allowing you to combine a diverse mix of art practices into a coherent path of study, shaped by your curiosity and desire to learn. I hope to see you in class next fall!”**

**Dr. Martin Kutnowski**  
Chair, Fine Arts



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# STU

## French



Explore the French culture through literature and media while developing skills in oral communication, grammar, and composition.

### Why French at STU

French courses at STU are designed for Anglophone, Francophone, and bilingual students of various levels of proficiency. In our small classes, you will get to know your peers and professors as you perfect your reading, speaking, and writing skills.

### A Stream in Romance Languages

French is one stream offered in our Romance Languages program. Students in Romance Languages can complete a minor, major, double major, or honours in French or Spanish and Latin American Studies.



### Where the Study of French Can *Take You*

Our strong focus on the acquisition of advanced levels of second-language literacy skills — listening, speaking, reading, and writing — results in an increased awareness of the crucial role communication skills play in forming connections with others and working as part of a team. You will benefit from a rigorous program in oral communication, grammar, composition, translation, literature, and cultural studies.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career in fields like:



Education



Civil Service



Translation



International Business



Diplomacy



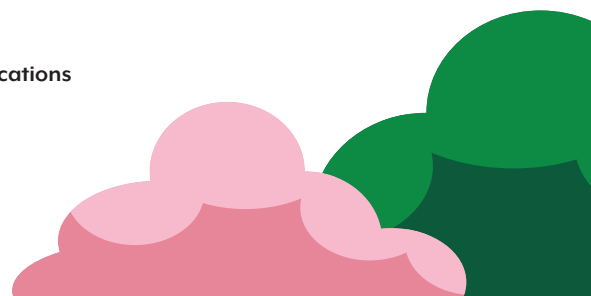
Tourism



Journalism



Communications



## French in Society Today

You will be exposed to the diversity of Francophone culture, which fosters a sense of global citizenship. Examining French literature, cultural media, cinema, and art broadens your worldview, provides an awareness of the issues that challenge global cultures, and develops an appreciation for alternative sociocultural practices, attitudes, and beliefs.

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Students studying French are encouraged to enhance their learning by participating in a semester or year-long international exchange in France.
- Connect the study of French with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## A Note from the Department

**“One of my goals is to help my students realize the importance of French in a modern world that is increasingly interconnected. I strive to contextualize Francophone cultures in an appealing framework and believe in an on-going evaluation system that reflects students’ efforts and learning. I hope to see you in one of my French classes this fall!”**

**Dr. Christian Mbarga**  
Professor, Romance Languages



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## Gerontology



Gerontology examines the experience of aging from different perspectives: psychological, sociological, physical, spiritual, and philosophical. It's the study of the process of aging, how society defines aging, and how individuals understand their later years.

### Why Gerontology at STU?

Gerontology at STU is one of two stand-alone programs in Atlantic Canada. As a multidisciplinary department – drawing on courses from Psychology, Sociology, and Women's Studies and Gender Studies – students develop an understanding of what it means to age and the progression of human development and self-fulfillment from multiple perspectives.

You can complete a Bachelor of Arts with a major or minor in Gerontology, a Bachelor of Applied Arts in Gerontology offered in partnership with NBCC, or a Certificate in Gerontology.

**“The STU gerontology program allowed me to confidently view the realm of aging critically. What I learned at STU has been essential in my career.”**

Meaghan Stewart, BA'23  
Recreation Coordinator at Shannex Incorporated

### Where the Study of Gerontology Can *Take You*

We live in a rapidly aging society. The capacity to understand and think creatively and critically about aging forms an increasingly important part of work across many sectors. The knowledge and skills gained through gerontology will prepare you to take advantage of these opportunities while contributing to a more inclusive and equitable society for people of all ages.

#### Graduates are prepared for meaningful careers in fields like:



**Social Work**



**Counselling**



**Recreational and Occupational Therapy**



**Long-term Care**



**Community Agencies and Non-Profit Organizations**



**Social Entrepreneurship**



**Public Policy**



## You might be interested in studying Gerontology *if...*

- You want to understand the process of aging from sociological, psychological, physical, and spiritual perspectives.
- You want to learn more about the issues that concern older people.
- You want to develop the skills and knowledge to build intergenerational bridges and connect youth with older adults.

### Faculty Research and Expertise

- Narrative Gerontology
- Feminist Care Theories
- Contemplative Gerontology
- Cultural Gerontology
- Psychology of Aging
- Dementia Studies
- Health and Aging

### Featured Courses

- Aging and Health
- Aging and Spirituality
- Counselling Older Adults
- Death and Dying in Later Life
- Understanding Dementia
- Images of Aging in Film

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities

- Join the extracurricular STU Gerontology Society and put theories from in-class learning into practice. The society hosts various intergenerational events that connect students with older adults.
- Connect the study of Gerontology with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship related to your academic and personal interests.

## Third Age Centre

STU is home to the Third Age Centre — an autonomous, community-based non-profit organization that empowers older adults to maintain healthy, independent lifestyles — and Gerontology students are invited to participate in projects undertaken by the Centre.

## A Note from the Department Chair

**“Greetings future STUdents,  
The Gerontology program at STU is unique in that it approaches the study of aging from both the humanities and social sciences perspectives. This allows our students to explore the richness of the aging process as well as the complexities that can emerge when older persons navigate social systems. We can’t wait to meet you this fall!”**

**Dr. Linda Caissie**  
Chair, Gerontology



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## Great Books



Great Books examines powerful texts that inspire thoughtfulness and investigate life's big questions — what is the meaning of life? What is love? Is there a God? Great Books relies on a wide range of materials — old and new alike — to help you better understand yourself and the world.

### Why Great Books at STU?

Our Great Books program is one of few in Canada and is one of the only programs where you can complete a major or honours in the field. Courses in Great Books are team-taught by two professors to promote discussion and dialogue in the classroom and ensure you are exposed to a variety of perspectives. If you plan to major in Great Books, you will also complete a second major which provides diverse knowledge, skills, and experience.

### Where Great Books Can *Take You*

Classes are discussion-intensive, which allows you to build your public speaking, argumentation, and listening skills. Through exposure to many types of texts — from ancient epics, Platonic dialogues, Supreme Court cases, and graphic novels — you will develop an aptitude for interpretation and analysis.



Graduates are prepared for a meaningful career in fields like:



Law



Journalism



Public Policy



Publishing



Education



Communications

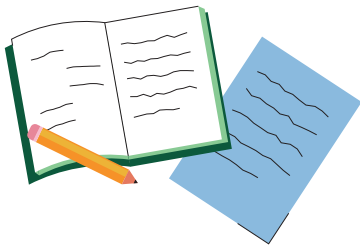


Government

**“Through the Great Books program, I was challenged to take intellectual risks, question my own viewpoints on the world, and perform meaningful academic research. This has prepared me for my Master of Philosophy in Political Theory at Oriel College, Oxford University.”**

Ethan Nylen, BA'23 (Rhodes Scholar)  
Master of Philosophy in Political Theory at Oriel College, Oxford University





## Hands-on Learning Opportunities

Connect the study of Great Books with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## Aquinas: A Unique First-Year Experience

The Aquinas: Great Books program gives first-year students the chance to participate in a seminar-style course where students and faculty read and discuss great works of literature, philosophy, and political theory. In Aquinas: Great Books, you will be immersed in the history of ideas. The course teaches you how to evaluate complex arguments, and how to develop your own opinions about ethics, law, morality, and art. The program is team-taught by three professors from different disciplines, allowing for a close-knit learning environment.

## A Note from the Program Director

**“We’re so glad you’re interested in Great Books at St. Thomas University! The program excels in things many students are looking for: strong community, individual mentorship from professors, challenging, meaningful work, and asking big questions about ourselves and our world. Our students love our attention to core texts, enjoyable classroom atmosphere, and close-knit intellectual community of students and professors — we’re hoping you’ll join us!”**

**Dr. Matt Dinan**  
Program Director, Great Books

## You might be interested in studying Great Books *if...*

- You are interested in understanding yourself and your place in the world.
- You love to read and think about life’s big questions.
- You’re interested in the history of ideas.

### Faculty Research and Expertise

- Classical and contemporary political philosophy
- Intersections between literature and political theory
- Renaissance literature
- The political dimensions of contemporary television drama
- The history of political philosophy
- The Roman Catholic intellectual tradition

### Featured Courses

- Great Thinkers and Writers
- War and Peace
- Human Nature and Technology
- Justice
- Shakespeare and Politics
- Philosophy and Art



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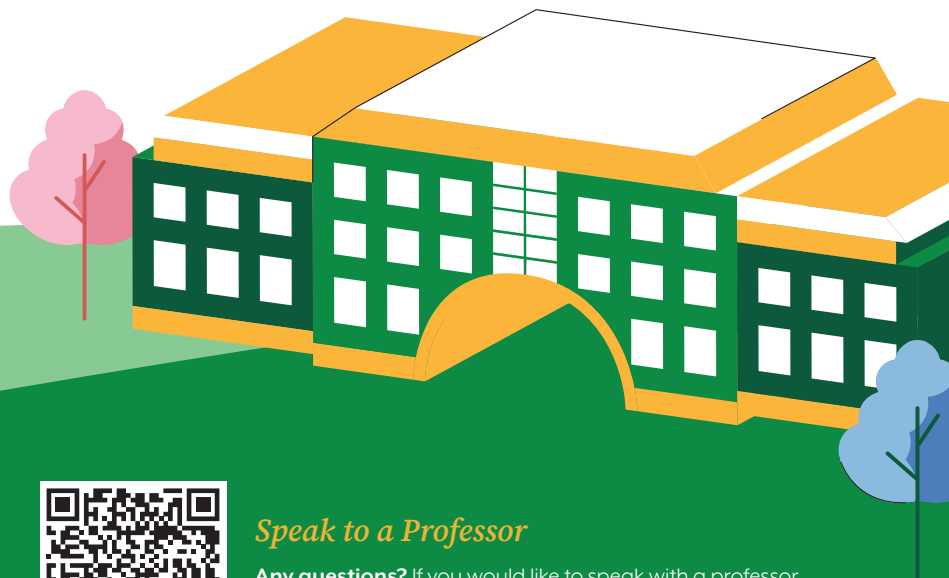
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## History



The study of History goes beyond memorizing dates, battles, and names — it examines the backstory of events, people, and society. It's the study of the past and the development of our current social, cultural, and environmental realities.

### Why History at STU

Our program offers one of the most comprehensive undergraduate World History programs with broad geographic expertise and courses offered on most of the world's regions — from the Americas to Europe, Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. Courses don't rely solely on texts. They incorporate music, film, art, maps, and objects.



### Where the Study of History Can *Take You*

Studying History will equip you with effective oral and written communication skills, as well as skills in critical analysis, research, and interdisciplinary thinking. You will learn to trace the roots of an issue, evaluate the validity of information, and think about problems from multiple perspectives.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of exciting fields of work:



Education



Business



Law



Tourism



Public Policy



Government



Heritage Sites and Museums



Non-Governmental Organizations



## History in Society Today

Learning how earlier societies found solutions to their problems will help you understand and identify the root causes of current day issues. The global past provides a broad range of human experience that allows for the examination of crucial questions about our world:

- What are the historical roots of inequality and oppression?
- What causes wars and revolutions?

The study of History offers a unique global perspective that provides an understanding of the historic processes that have shaped the world.

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Several History courses count toward STU's Certificate in Experiential Learning. In these courses, you will collaborate with local institutions to research artifacts and develop new exhibits.
- You can take part in an academic trip to New York City, where you use museums, architecture, and culture as course material.
- Connect the study of History with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## A Note from the Department

**"Our close-knit department has developed an exciting World History program over the past two decades with the goal of introducing students to all the wonder and diversity of the wider world. If you're curious about the world and interested in strengthening your critical thinking and communication skills, you should consider the STU History program. I hope to see you in a History course soon!"**

**Dr. Karen Robert**  
Associate Professor, History



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## Human Rights



Human Rights are codified laws that governments are obligated to legislate and enforce. The study of human rights is about educating individuals in the broad field of human rights in New Brunswick, Canada, and internationally. For human rights to be codified into law, there's often a period where the struggle for those rights takes place — this is accomplished through education and activism.

### Human Rights at STU — A Distinctive Program

STU has the only Department of Human Rights in Atlantic Canada, and the only program in Canada where students can complete an honours thesis. STU also features the only for-credit undergraduate Moot Court Program in Canada, which allows students to compete in national and international tournaments. Lectures and seminars are taught by professors — not teaching assistants — which means students learn from experts in the field.

**“Moot Court allowed me to gain a strong foundation in oral advocacy and legal research, giving me the confidence to attend law school.”**

Maggie Jardine, BA'23  
Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University

### Discover Where Human Rights Can *Take You*

Students in Human Rights can identify key issues and have the capacity to work toward reasonable solutions. They develop practical skills in writing and legal research, while refining their ability to analyze texts, think critically, write clearly, and communicate effectively.

**Graduates are prepared for meaningful careers in fields like:**



Law



Social Work



Non-Governmental Organizations



Public Policy



Government



Business



Journalism

## You might be interested in studying Human Rights *if...*

- You want to go to law school, pursue a career in social work, or are interested in law enforcement.
- You are interested in being an activist in your community, pursuing social justice at the grass roots level.
- You want to better understand your rights and the rights of those who are most vulnerable.

### Featured Courses

- Human Rights in Theory and Practice
- Discrimination and the Law in Canada
- Activism and Social Justice
- Human Rights of the Child
- Environment and Human Rights
- Business and Human Rights

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities

- Moot Court gives you the opportunity to act as legal counsel in fictitious cases based on legal precedent. This develops speaking, critical thinking, writing, and researching skills, and deepens your understanding of Canadian law and American law, international law, space law, and environmental law.
- The department offers a for-credit internship program that matches you with agencies and community partners to gain practical, work-place experience.
- Connect the study of Human Rights with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with local businesses and organizations and will match you with a paid internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.



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## A Note from the Department

**“Hello human rights enthusiasts!**  
I’m so excited you’re interested in learning more about human rights. We’re living in a time where governments seem to have forgotten their obligations to protect our guaranteed rights — this is why the study of Human Rights is essential. Our courses are offered in a warm and welcoming atmosphere that starts with our introductory course. From there, you will have many opportunities to gain practical knowledge and hands-on experience. We can’t wait to meet you!”

**Dr. Amanda DiPaolo**  
Professor, Human Rights



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# STU

## International Relations



Our program focuses on causes and solutions to conflicts between states, as well as other forces that transcend borders to link or divide global communities. International Relations will broaden your perspectives and understanding of the forces shaping global politics.



### Why International Relations at STU

While the program is housed within Political Science, you will also be encouraged to take courses from areas like History, Economics, Criminology, and Sociology. This provides a wide range of knowledge and will allow you to analyze and understand International Relations through multiple perspectives.

**“International Relations at STU played a pivotal role in understanding global issues and shaping my future. Human Rights is idealistic — what we want for the world — International Relations is realistic — what the world looks like. Pursuing both helped me balance those two perspectives and gain important skills and opportunities.”**

Emily Miller, BA'20  
Policy Analyst with Global Affairs Canada

### Where the Study of International Relations Can *Take You*

You will gain a wealth of knowledge from multiple fields of study that allows you to better understand a complex global environment. You will learn to analyze and summarize complex information and gather evidence to make good, critical arguments, and develop skills in critical thinking, writing, and communication.

#### Graduates will be prepared for a meaningful career in fields like:



International Law



Business



Foreign Affairs



Non-Governmental Organizations



Humanitarian Work



Journalism

## You might be interested in studying International Relations *if...*

- You are interested in the politics and cultures of other countries in the world.
- You want to understand other people and other perspectives.
- You want to understand how international events affect domestic and local affairs and what you can do to mitigate those effects.

### Courses That Count Toward International Relations

- US Foreign Policy
- The United Nations
- Canadian Perspectives on International Law
- Terrorism: An Introduction
- Race and Racism in Modern History
- Human Rights and International Relations

### Hands-on Learning Opportunities

- You will be encouraged to do an independent study based on an international experience. Many students use this opportunity to participate in a travel-study or international exchange in countries like Australia, Brazil, France, and Sweden.
- Our Model United Nations course prepares you to represent an assigned country at the Harvard Model United Nations.
- Connect the study of International Relations with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.



### Model United Nations

The Model United Nations course prepares students for participation in a Canadian or American sponsored Model UN simulation. Students will represent an assigned country's foreign policy on assigned issues on the UN agenda and, throughout the course, will prepare working papers and motions, and strategies for effective conference participation. STU has been represented at the Harvard National Model United Nations in Boston, and organizes the John Peters Humphrey Model United Nations at STU.

### A Note from the Program Coordinator

**“Greetings to all students considering International Relations at St. Thomas! Our program draws together the expertise of faculty across campus in a way that gives students a wide-ranging educational experience and a broad set of perspectives on important issues and regions of the world. We work to make the program intellectually and theoretically challenging, but also fulfilling and engaging. I hope to see you in some of my international relations classes in the future!”**

**Dr. Shaun Narine**  
Coordinator, International Relations



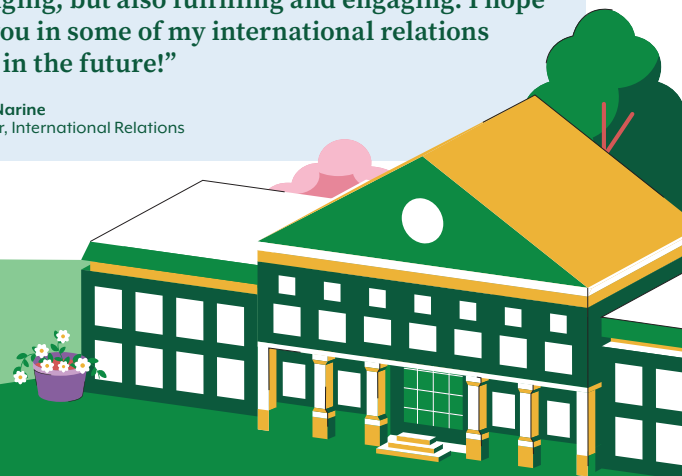
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# STU

## Journalism



Journalism is about finding and telling accurate stories that matter. In the world of information, journalists are among the “first responders” to major events and issues. They play an essential role in shaping public opinion — the driving force of change in a democratic society.

### Why Journalism at STU

Ours is the only English language Journalism program in New Brunswick. Courses teach a combination of fundamental skills in writing, presentation, and production while also staying ahead of changes in the media landscape — courses are also offered on podcasting, documentaries, and digital journalism. You will also benefit from a unique partnership with the CBC, which offers internships, writing opportunities, and workshops with professional journalists.

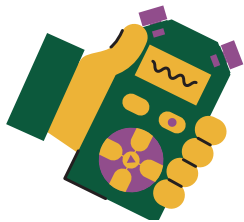
### Journalism in Society Today

In a world where we have immediate access to information, it's more important than ever that we have professional journalists who can present reliable and accurate stories.

### Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Journalism is a hands-on, practical field of study. You will be tasked with pitching stories; collecting interviews for print, television, and radio; editing and producing your own work.
- During upper years, you will have the opportunity to complete an internship with the CBC. Some students have their work broadcast on CBC television, radio, or print channels.
- Write for the student news publication, *The Aquinian*.
- Connect the study of Journalism with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with a paid internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.





## Where the Study of Journalism Can *Take You*

Develop advanced skills in writing and editing and learn to present information in a compelling way. You will learn to identify issues that others have missed or overlooked and to deliver facts and details in a way that sheds light on otherwise complicated situations. You will also gain technical skills in video, photography, sound, and social media platforms.

**Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of exciting fields of work:**



Podcasting



Digital Media Creation and Production



Print Journalism



Television and Radio



Public Relations



Communications



Government and Public Sector

## A Note from the Department



**“Journalism is an exciting and important subject, and we look forward to seeing you in the program. In first year, you will immerse yourself in how to write as a journalist and explore the great stories of journalism.”**

**Dr. Jamie Gillies**  
Professor, Journalism



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# STU

## Law, Politics, and Society



Law, Politics, and Society explores the relationship between law, political life, and society — it examines how the law is made and changed, how it influences citizens, and how it interacts with societal forces.

### Why Law, Politics, and Society at STU

Law, Politics, and Society is unique in bringing the study of law and politics together into one program. As an interdisciplinary field of study, it draws on the expertise of faculty from different programs.

This will introduce you to diverse academic approaches to law, politics, and the social forces influencing the legal process, and provide a broad and deep understanding of the law in Canada.

**“Through Internships, I have been able to see all of the knowledge that I’ve gained through my degree translate into an ability to make real-world contributions.”**

Jarrod Ryan, BA'19  
Articled Clerk at Cox and Palmer

### Discover Where Law, Politics, and Society Can *Take You*

Develop skills in critical thinking, reading, analysis, writing, and communication. You will gain exposure to various approaches to the study of legal issues and an understanding of different types of political and legal literature, methodologies, and arguments.

#### Graduates are prepared for meaningful careers in fields like:



Law



Social Work



Judicial Administration



Law Enforcement and Border Security

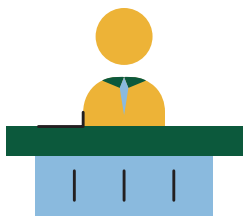


Journalism



Public Interest Advocacy





## You might be interested in studying Law, Politics, and Society *if...*

- You want to learn about the way law works in advanced democracies.
- You want to explore the influence of law on Canadian society.
- You want to learn more about the types of law in Canada, the judicial system, or the legal profession.

### Faculty Research and Expertise

- Canadian politics and government
- The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- Jurisprudence
- Federalism
- The politics of religion in liberal democracies

### Featured Courses

- Introduction to Law, Politics, and Society
- Police and the Canadian Community
- The Rights Revolution
- The Canadian Constitution: The Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- The Canadian Constitution: Federalism
- Law, Politics, and the Judicial Process in Canada
- Sociology of Law

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Participate in Model United Nations — a course that prepares you to represent an assigned country at the Harvard Model United Nations. This gives you a deeper understanding of the United Nations and its procedures.
- The Moot Court course — offered through Human Rights — counts toward a major or minor in Law, Politics, and Society. In Moot Court, you will act as legal counsel in fictitious cases based off real legal precedent.
- Connect the study of Law, Politics and Society with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with a paid internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## Benefits of an Interdisciplinary Program

Law, Politics, and Society draws from various departments allowing students to gain knowledge from professors in the Human Rights, Political Science, Criminology, and Sociology departments among others.

## A Note from the Program Coordinator

**“Our lives are deeply influenced and shaped by legal decisions made by lawyers, legislators, and judges. I look forward to exploring with you the many interesting ways in which the law works on us and what factors work on the law.”**

**Dr. Tom Bateman**  
Coordinator, Law, Politics, and Society



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# STU

## Moot Court



Moot Court is a simulated court proceeding that allows you to act as legal counsel in a fictitious case. In preparation for a Moot Court competition, you will research similar cases to identify how the law has been applied, develop written briefs, and prepare oral legal arguments.

### Moot Court at STU — A Distinctive Program

Moot Court offers many opportunities to gain genuine courtroom experience. In the Moot Court class, you will prepare and deliver appellate oral arguments in a simulated Supreme Court proceeding in front of real judges at regional, national, and international competitions. STU Moot Court is one of few Canadian undergraduate universities to compete in the American Moot Court Association and the only Canadian undergraduate university to compete in international competitions against law schools.

#### Building Skills and Gaining Courtroom Experience

Moot Court provides a strong foundation for law school and any other career that requires writing, communication, critical analysis, and problem solving. Through coursework, you will learn to read case law, prepare legal briefs, form informed arguments, and communicate effectively and persuasively.

National and international competitions will help you hone your public speaking skills, ability to work under tight deadlines, and capacity to think on your feet, while providing practical courtroom experience.

“STU Moot is a network of intelligent, kind, and supportive people. Being a part of the program has taught me to think on my feet, be firm in my convictions, and speak confidently and eloquently, even when you are nervous and unsure.”

Julia Evans, BA'23  
Law student at the University of New Brunswick

### STU's Reputation for Success

- ✓ 7 National Tournament Appearances
- ✓ 1 first place finish at a National Tournament
- ✓ 4 first place finishes at Regional Events
- ✓ 6 speaker awards at the National Tournament
- ✓ 49 speaker awards at Regional Events
- ✓ 3 written brief awards
- ✓ 2 first place finishes at International Moot Events
- ✓ 5 speaker awards at International Competitions



## International and Canadian Competitions

Moot Court at STU gives students the opportunity to participate in both international and Canadian moot competitions:

- The Nelson Mandela World Human Rights Moot Court Competition
- The American Moot Court Association National Tournament
- The Osgoode Cup (Canadian law)
- The Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court
- The Stetson International North American Regional (Environmental Moot)

## World Class Moot Court Program

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# STU

## Native Studies



The Native Studies department uses historical materialist methodology to examine past and current issues relating to the struggle for Indigenous independence from the occupation and imposition of imperialist nation-states, such as Canada and the United States.

### Why Native Studies at STU

Our department is designed to provide all students with the opportunity to explore the historical and contemporary issues of Indigenous nations of North America.

The department also offers a Native Language Immersion Teaching Certificate Program with Professor Emerita Dr. Andrea Bear Nicholas.

### Concentrations in Native Studies

#### *Historical*

We examine how issues relating to imperialism developed.

#### *Mental / Physical Health*

We explain how Indigenous health is under attack by imperialist nation-states.

#### *Law*

We explain how laws are developed and maintained to alienate Indigenous peoples from their land.



## Topics in Native Studies



Why do imperialist nation-states continuously target Indigenous women and children with genocide?



How are Indigenous oral traditions and histories being threatened under Canadian law?



Where are there land claims? How do land claims work?



What happened before and after 1492?



Why do we take issue with universities teaching Indigenous cultures and spiritualities?

## After Graduation

Graduates in Native Studies often pursue careers in:



Human Rights



Social Work



Policy and Government



Education



Law



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# STU

## Philosophy



Philosophy examines the ideas and questions we have about the world — both about how it works and what our place in it might be. The study of Philosophy focuses on truth and argumentation, and challenges our convictions about what is true and what is good.

### Why Philosophy at STU

Our department takes a diverse approach to Philosophy by exploring both historical and contemporary issues. The broad range of faculty expertise provides you with a true exploration of the depth and breadth of the field. Courses rely on the texts of top philosophers — not summaries — and while this can be challenging, our small classes create a collaborative and supportive learning environment.



### Where the Study of Philosophy Can *Take You*

Gain advanced critical and argumentative skills and develop the ability to think creatively, to communicate effectively, and to engage in productive dialogue and debate. Graduate well suited for roles that involve problem solving, research, writing, collaboration, and significant ethical consideration.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of fields:



Government



Law



Business



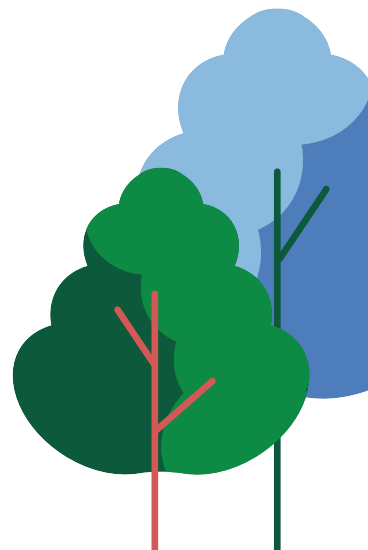
Social Work



Education



Marketing and Advertising





## Philosophy in Society Today

In a world inundated by fake news and misinformation, it's more important than ever to develop the analytical and critical skills to decipher fact from fiction. Studying Philosophy provides these skills and allows you to better understand and actively contribute to today's social and political worlds.

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

Connect the study of Philosophy with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## A Note from the Department

**"Whether you plan on becoming a Philosophy major or are merely curious, we are excited to get a chance to share the rich material that has been handed down to us, and to introduce you to the big questions about life, what we can know, why we might be here, and what we are supposed to do. In our classes, you will learn about what it means to think and debate, how you can make your point of view heard, and how to listen to and assess different perspectives. We look forward to seeing you in our Philosophy classes soon!"**

**Dr. Jean-Philippe Ranger**  
Philosophy Professor



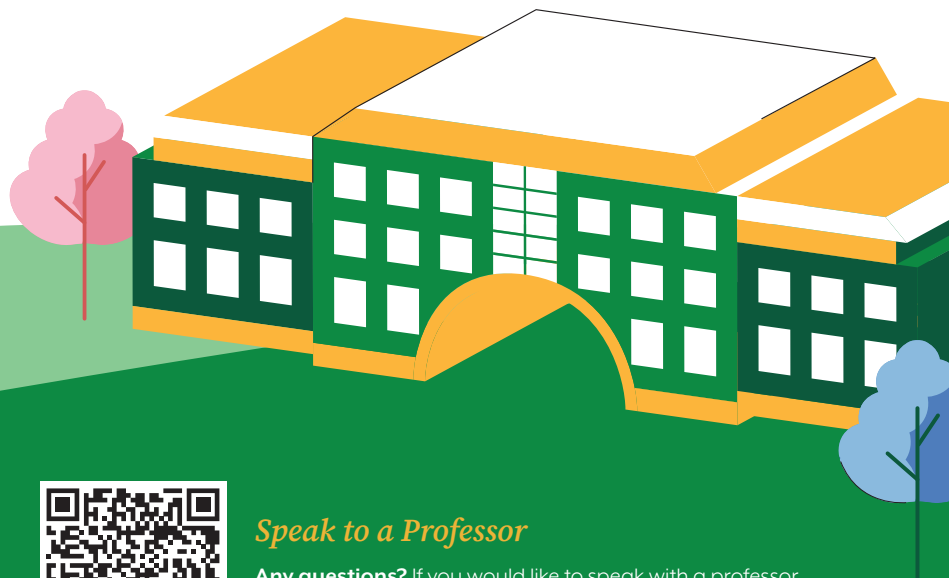
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# STU

## Political Science



Political Science focuses on how societies organize themselves, why they choose those formations, and the consequences and implications of those choices. It examines and investigates the nature of citizenship, power, justice, community, law, and freedom.

### Why Political Science at STU

Political Science offers rigorous education in four areas of focus:

-  Canadian Politics and Government
-  Comparative Politics
-  International Relations
-  History of Political Thought

### Where the Study of Political Science Can *Take You*

Develop skills in critical thinking, reading, writing, analysis, and research and learn to examine arguments, identify trends, test theories, and explain developments. You will also gain experience in public policy analysis, project management, and leadership.

**Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of exciting fields of work:**



Government



Law



Non-Governmental Organizations



Public Relations



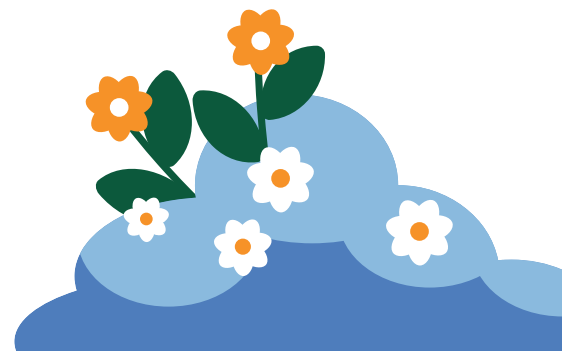
Business



Education



Journalism



## Political Science in Society Today

Politics is part of the human condition and political decisions impact every aspect of our lives. Democracies have always required thoughtful citizens who understand issues and events, but this is increasingly important as we live in considerable uncertainty. The study of Political Science is an excellent way to understand what can be done to achieve stability.

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Our program offers a Model United Nations course that prepares you to represent an assigned country at the Harvard Model United Nations in Boston.
- You may participate in a for-credit New Brunswick Public Service Internship, which places you in a governmental department where you work on policy files under the direction of a senior public servant.
- Connect the study of Political Science with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## A Note from the Department

**“Why do countries go to war? Is the United Nations working? Do people have a right to assistance in dying? Should we protect freedom of speech? If questions like this have occurred to you, you should think about studying Political Science. We live in interesting and perilous times. The STU Political Science faculty rise above the news chatter, the echo chambers, and the buzz on social media, and they engage students in thoughtful analysis of the issues of the day. To live fruitfully in the world requires that we understand it. This is what the study of politics is all about. Consider taking a course in political science — and prepare to be challenged.”**

**Dr. Tom Bateman**  
Professor, Political Science



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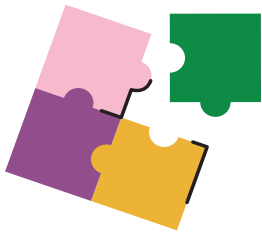


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# STU

## Psychology



Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and mental processes. It examines how we feel, perceive, think, learn, and remember, and considers what motivates us, how we develop, and how we act in groups and societies.

### Why Psychology at STU

Our faculty boast a broad range of expertise that includes traditional areas of psychology, as well as clinical courses that provide a foundation for those considering a career in mental health. Experiential learning and opportunities to work closely with professors on research projects provides experience and mentorship that's invaluable.

**“My time at STU helped me build meaningful connections. The academia through courses paired with internships helped me gain practical skills to thrive in the real world.”**

Ashamgyve Mann, BA'23  
Academic Coordinator, University of Fredericton

### Where the Study of Psychology Can *Take You*

Develop advanced skills in analytical thinking, research processes, problem solving, and communication. Learn to use data to answer questions and gain a heightened understanding of yourself and the social world.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career from a variety of fields:

- ✓ Mental Health and Wellness
- ✓ Speech Language Pathology
- ✓ Social Work
- ✓ Human Services
- ✓ Medicine
- ✓ Education
- ✓ Law
- ✓ Business

## You might be interested in studying Psychology *if...*

- You have an interest in the study of human functioning.
- You want to explore how we communicate, analyze and solve problems, and interact in the world.
- You want to better understand how people think, feel, and behave.

### Faculty Research and Expertise

- Cognition
- Memory
- Workplace mental health
- Child psychology
- Social psychology
- Behaviour modification

### Featured Courses

- Introduction to Cognitive Neuroscience
- Psychology of Personal Growth
- Cognitive Psychology
- Abnormal Child Psychology
- Drugs and Behaviour
- Human Sexuality

## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- The Psychology of Human-Nature Connection course includes an outdoor component that's taught by a professor who is a certified Forest Therapy guide. Examine the role of nature in relation to health and psychological wellbeing, social and community aspects of human-nature interaction, and nature-oriented therapeutic approaches.
- In upper years, you will have the opportunity to present original research at the Science Atlantic Conference.
- Connect the study of Psychology with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## Join the Psychology Society

The Psychology Society is a network of students who work to promote involvement in the field of psychology, as well as provide a support network for other psychology students. It is an excellent opportunity for students to ask questions about the program and get in touch with other students and professors through events on campus.

## A Note from the Department Chair

**"Psychology is a fascinating field that can help you better understand the people around you and better understand yourself. Our faculty have diverse areas of expertise and are excited to help you discover answers to questions you have about people's perceptions, motivations, traits, relationships, and why they behave the way they do in particular situations. Psychology students develop critical thinking, research, and communication skills that prepare them for a wide range of exciting careers. We hope to see you soon!"**

**Dr. Sandra Thomson**  
Chair, Psychology



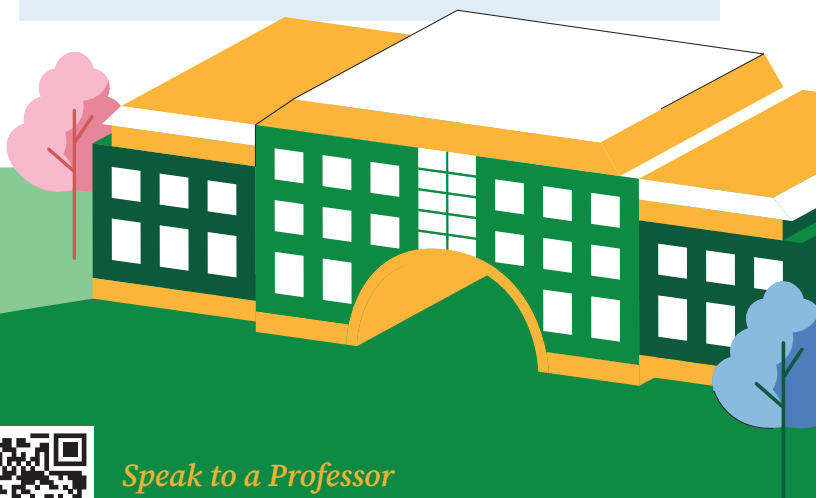
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# STU

## Religious Studies



Religious Studies explores the roles of religions in contemporary society. It examines how the spiritual, ethical, and legal perspectives of religions shape politics, the arts, social movements, sexualities, the environment, and questions about the purpose of life.

### Why Religious Studies at STU

We offer courses that are multi-religious and comparative in scope related to a particular theme or issue, as well as courses that focus on a specific religious tradition. We study how religions influence a wide range of current social processes and challenges, like:

- Cultural Diversity
- Gender Relations
- Politics and the Media
- Environment and Sustainability

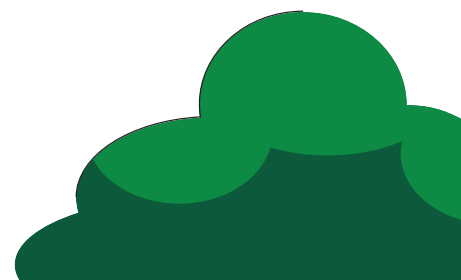


### Where the Study of Religious Studies Can *Take You*

You will develop skills in communication, research, writing, and critical thinking. Religious Studies will help you develop the capacity for self-reflection, challenge your worldview, and allow for the examination of — and appreciation for — different beliefs and perspectives.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career in fields like:

- ✓ Government
- ✓ Education
- ✓ Social Services
- ✓ Religious Institutions
- ✓ Journalism
- ✓ Non-governmental Organizations
- ✓ Law



# Streams in Religious Studies

## *Ritual Studies*

How religious groups or networks organize their communities around particular religious events or memories.

## *Ethics*

How religious ideologies, values, and norms shape the ethical appreciation of social interactions.

## *Interpreting Texts*

How religious texts are interpreted in dialogue with ever-changing social contexts.

## *Social Actor Analysis*

How religious actors position themselves either through public interactions or social group mobilization to pursue ideological or interest-based opportunities.

## A Note from the Department

**"I like how Religious Studies helps me understand and experience the diversities and contradictions not just between religions, but within any one religion. There's such a depth of creativity and range of variability within any religion that several versions have resulted over time — I am fascinated by this imagination, resilience, and high-risk adventuring."**

**Dr. Derek Simon**  
Associate Professor, Religious Studies



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# STU

## Sociology



Sociology explores how someone's background — class, gender, ethnicity, race, religion, sexual orientation, nationality — affects their experiences and shapes their behaviour. It provides a better understanding of current social realities and allows you to advocate for social change.

### Why Sociology at STU

Our Sociology department is rooted in social justice and focuses on using knowledge to address social inequality and make change. Our faculty are engaged in community activism, tackling issues like food sovereignty, housing access, minority rights, and immigrant justice. Their experiences, as well as research expertise, helps inform course material and empowers students to use their knowledge to address the issues that matter most to them.

### Sociology in Society Today

The world today is increasingly polarized with social divides growing all the time. These divisions are related to the major social challenges that we're facing. Sociology is designed to help students make sense of social change and aid in unveiling the historical and social realities that give rise to the condition we find ourselves in today.

### Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume



The Inequality in Society course, which explores existing patterns of social inequality, includes a service learning component where students engage in volunteer work within the community.



Dr. Anthony Jehn specializes in statistics and population studies. In his courses, students learn advanced statistical analysis and gain technical skills that will bolster their resume.



Connect the study of Sociology with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.



## Where the Study of Sociology Can *Take You*

Gain effective writing and communication skills and develop the ability to analyze issues carefully using reason and facts. Develop advanced research and critical thinking skills and learn to understand how different elements of society impact an individual's experiences and behaviours.

### Prepare for a meaningful career in fields like:



Social Work



Activism



Non-Profit Organizations



Education



Urban Planning



Government



Policy Analysis



Law

## A Note from the Department

**“Welcome future Sociology students! Every year we’re impressed by the energy, engagement, and commitment to social change that we see in our first-year students. We look forward to welcoming you into our Sociology classrooms where you will learn to use sociological tools, become a stronger critical thinker, and prepare to solve the social problems that you see in the world. We hope to see you in our Sociology classes this year!”**

**Dr. Erin Fredericks**  
Associate Professor, Sociology



Dr.Gül Çalışkan is the project lead for Promise of Home, one of many projects led by Sociology faculty, where students gain research and academic publication experience.



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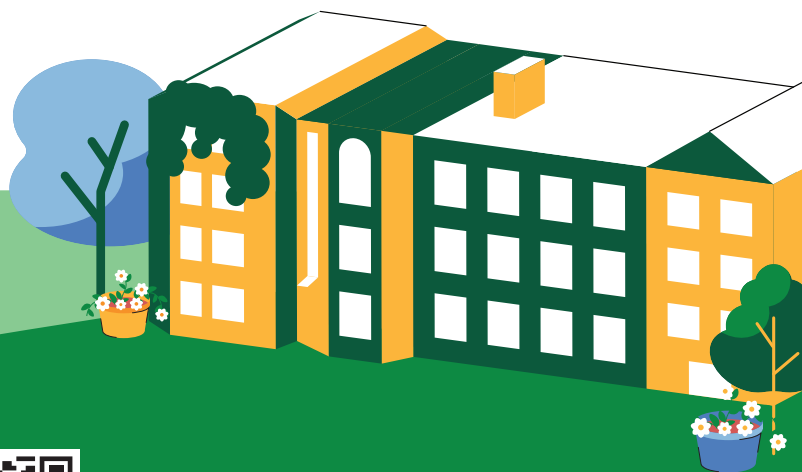
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# STU

## Spanish and Latin American Studies



Explore Spanish culture through the study of literature and media while developing skills in oral communication, grammar, and composition.

### Why Spanish and Latin American Studies at STU

Spanish and Latin American Studies at STU is the only program in the Maritimes that is strictly taught in Spanish. This focus on teaching, speaking, and writing exclusively in Spanish allows you to gain an advanced level of fluency by the end of your degree.

Spanish is one stream offered in our Romance Languages program. Students in Romance Languages can complete a minor, major, double major, or honours in French or Spanish and Latin American Studies.

### Spanish in Society Today

Spanish has become one of the world's most common languages. Knowing how to communicate effectively in Spanish is increasingly important for international development and human rights, global trade and commerce, tourism, and education. Studying Spanish and Latin American Studies makes you aware of the issues and questions that challenge humanity in different global cultures and gives you an appreciation for alternate sociocultural practices, attitudes, and beliefs.

### Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume



Students in Spanish and Latin American Studies are encouraged to enhance their education in a semester or year-long international exchange to Chile, Ecuador, Spain, or Cuba.



Connect the study of Spanish with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.



# Where the Study of Spanish and Latin American Studies Can Take You

Become a global citizen through exposure to the diversity of Hispanic cultures in literature, cultural media, cinema, and art. The program's focus on developing advanced literacy skills — listening, speaking, reading, and writing — gives you an increased awareness of the crucial role communication plays in forming meaningful connections and working collaboratively with others.

## Prepare for a meaningful career in fields like:

- Education — in Canada and abroad
- Translation
- Diplomacy
- Civil Service
- Journalism
- International Business
- Tourism
- Hospitality

## A Note from the Department

**“As Spanish professors, our goal is to help students open doors to new cultures and opportunities. Spanish is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world, and today it is spoken by over one million people in Canada. As our world becomes more interconnected, speaking Spanish will allow our students to make important contributions in education, business, social justice, and international work. Most importantly, it will be key to understanding others and building bridges between people and communities. We hope to see you in our classes this fall!”**

**Dr. Jasmina Terzioska and Dr. Mary Lou Babineau-Rosada**  
Spanish and Latin American Studies



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# STU

## Women's Studies and Gender Studies



Women's Studies and Gender Studies examines gender and sexuality in all aspects of life, including politics, education, family, the labour force, literature, and the media. It looks at the intersections among racism, homophobia, sexism, classism, ableism, and other types of discrimination and how they have affected the social positions of individuals.

### Why Women's Studies and Gender Studies at STU

Women's Studies and Gender Studies is an interdisciplinary program that provides the flexibility for you to design your degree based on your interests. The cross-listed courses — from fields like Sociology, Criminology, Economics, Anthropology, and Psychology — offer insight into issues like diversity, social development, humanity, and social justice, and provide different lenses through which to study gender and sexuality.



### Where the Study of Women's Studies and Gender Studies Can *Take You*

Develop skills in research, communication, critical thinking, interpersonal relations, and problem solving. Gain an understanding of different points of view and learn to analyze situations involving sexism, racism, homophobia, colonialism, and other forms of oppression.

#### Prepare for a meaningful career in fields like:



Government



Community Organizations



Education



Mental Health and Counselling



Public Relations



Law



Social Work

# Women's Studies and Gender Studies in Society Today

Gender is one of the most contested and important areas of analysis today, which is why Women's Studies and Gender Studies can be easily interconnected with many other academic disciplines. Women's Studies and Gender Studies works to address and dismantle the social inequalities present in society by focusing on the way different forms of discrimination impact individuals and their social standing.



## Hands-on Learning Opportunities that Build Your Resume

- Many faculty members are involved with non-profit organizations that provide experiential learning opportunities.
- Connect the study of Women's Studies and Gender Studies with professional experience through the STU Internship Program. STU partners with many local businesses and organizations and will match you with an internship that relates to your academic and personal interests.

## Why do you enjoy teaching Women's Studies and Gender Studies?

**"Students enrolled in gender-related courses are exceptionally motivated and knowledgeable. They bring various experiences to projects and class discussions from their personal life and related courses at STU, so professors learn from students as they examine different approaches to gender and sexuality."**

**Dr. Linda Caissie**  
Coordinator, Women's Studies and Gender Studies



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