Drama and Creative Arts

Engage with award-winning professors in intimate group settings as you study visual and performing arts in this unique bilingual liberal arts program. Choose one of two streams – an Honours BA in Drama or an Honours BA in Visual Arts – and learn through a mix of hands-on practice and classroom study. You’ll work with histories and concepts in the visual and performing arts, and build practical skills through projects, and studio and performance opportunities in the Glendon Theatre and Visual Arts studios.

“I had unlimited opportunities to explore theatre and its history. I am no longer just the actor, the stagehand, the director, the playwright or the critic but rather a well-rounded arts student with a tool box of practical skills I will use wherever the future takes me.”
— Rebecca K., Drama with concurrent B.Ed.

“My visual arts education helped me understand my vision and learning style. I have gained practical and theoretical problem-solving skills. Whether it’s determining a low-cost solution to create an effect in portraiture or delineating new images and concepts, my training, without a doubt, enhanced my practice as a consultant and artist.”
— Jennifer C., BA’17, artist, photographer and online consultant

Skills You’ll Earn

**Drama:**
- How to critically assess dramatic works, their intended message, meaning and stage interpretation
- Confidence on stage; an ability to express yourself
- Understand the visual dimension of theatre and performance; gain practice in technical theatre skills
- Study and perform in Canada’s two official languages, increasing your professional opportunities

**Visual Arts:**
- Well-rounded drawing and sketching abilities; an introduction to sculpture and other media
- Experience in hands-on studio settings
- Knowledge of visual arts theory, history and practice
- Confidence and ability to design and create visual projects, and present them to peers
- Understanding of current design software and modern visual arts techniques

Boost Your Major

- Participate in Theatre Glendon, a black box theatre with professional grade lighting, sound and multimedia technologies
- Take advantage of Glendon’s Visual Arts studios and leverage the Glendon Digital Media Lab
- Join the Lionheart Productions drama club or Glendon Dance Team

Career Paths

As a Glendon graduate, you’re equipped to become a leader and changemaker. You can choose to pursue grad studies or additional qualifications. Here are a few examples of career options:

- Art teacher
- Arts administrator
- Drama teacher
- Community arts professional
- Museum professional
- Professional artist, actor, director, curator, designer, technician
- Stage manager

Your Quest Starts Here
## Academics
- **First Year**
  - Attend an enrolment-planning workshop with the Academic Advising team
  - Consult your program-specific requirements on the Academic Calendar
  - Use our language-learning support centres
  - Courses include Visual Arts: An Introduction, Smoke and Mirrors: An Introduction to Technical Theatre and Lignes et Formes
- **Middle Years**
  - Drama: Participate on and off stage in Theatre Glendon
  - Visual Arts: Explore Glendon’s Visual Arts studios and Digital Media Lab
  - Become a Peer Mentor
  - Develop your leadership skills in the Student Union
  - Be the students’ voice in university governance and/or committees
- **Final Year**
  - Courses include Flesh and Blood: Baroque Art and Performance and Beyond Boundaries: Intercultural Art and Performance
  - Plan for your bilingual or trilingual certification; apply for the exam
  - Get your degree audit
  - Apply to graduate

## Get Involved
- **First Year**
  - Participate in orientation activities like JumpStart and Fresh Week
  - Join the Lionheart Productions drama club or the Glendon Dance Team, and extracurricular activities in the visual and performing arts
  - Visit the Salon francophone and ESL Open Learning Centre
  - Meet the Student Life Coordinator
- **Middle Years**
  - Contact the Experiential Education office to find opportunities
  - Develop your digital media skills at the Glendon Digital Media Lab
  - Boost your leadership potential with Becoming YU
  - Participate in studio work; interact with Toronto artists; explore local professional theatre and visual arts
- **Final Year**
  - Apply to the Research Apprenticeship Program
  - Pursue a project in G21, Glendon’s inquiry-based incubator for entrepreneurs
  - Apply to be a Student Ambassador or Research Assistant
  - Volunteer for a theater or visual arts organization

## Gain Experience
- **First Year**
  - Learn another language – 20 languages are taught at Glendon and Keele Campuses, including French, Spanish and Ojibwe!
  - Develop your intercultural competencies
- **Middle Years**
  - Consider an exchange abroad or with one of our partner universities in Quebec or France, as well as other programs supported by York International
  - Enrol in Françaises par expérience to expand your knowledge of French and the francophone culture by doing a work placement
- **Final Year**
  - Volunteer with organizations that have a focus on international issues or diversity in Canada
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## Think Globally
- **First Year**
  - Participate in career development workshops to build transferable skills
- **Middle Years**
  - Explore your career options and required skills; connect with alumni
  - Work with the Career Centre on your résumé and interview skills
- **Final Year**
  - Attend Glendon’s Bilingual Job Fair and networking events
  - Enhance your résumé, LinkedIn profile and job search techniques at the Career Centre

## Plan Your Future
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## Other Skills You’ll Earn
- **Communication, Data Gathering & Organizational Skills**
  - Present thoughts clearly and intelligently, both verbally and in written communication
  - Deduct information from various sources
  - Learn new information and apply it to professional demands
  - Critically analyze problems, think creatively and make sound decisions
  - Collect and assess various types of information, analyze and incorporate potential links from different fields, put them into writing and efficiently convey your message and the goal of your work
  - Organize, understand and analyze sources of information and apply novel forms of technology or new information to different professional settings and tasks
  - Clearly explain complex ideas and apply complex theoretical concepts to everyday practice and professional dilemmas
- **Management & Teamwork**
  - Analyze information presented by peers; constructively support or challenge peer ideas in order to achieve a project’s intended result
  - Work effectively in groups; participate in decision-making, lead and contribute to the ultimate success of the team and task
  - Debate, persuade, mediate and present your thoughts and opinions
  - Identify priorities and proper courses of action, plan the execution of tasks, and delegate responsibilities to group members to effectively carry out projects
- **Admission Requirements**
  - Ontario Secondary School Diploma with an average* in the mid to high 70s
  - Minimum six 4U; 4M; or DU courses (Including English or French)
  - French is recommended**

## Get In Touch
- Domestic students: liaison@glendon.yorku.ca
- International students: international@glendon.yorku.ca
- Attend one of our events!

* Average is calculated based on the top six 4U; 4M or DU courses required for most of our programs, provided you are proficient in either one of them
** Knowledge of both English and French is not an admission requirement for most of our programs, provided you are proficient in one of them

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