

Non-Major Modification Program Changes

1. Program: **Neuroscience**
 2. Degree Designation: **Specialized Honours BSc**
 3. Type of Modification: (Example: changes to degree / admission requirements) **Add information to calendar copy to allow for internal transfers and re-entry to the program**
 4. Effective Date: **Fall 2022**
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5. State what the changes are (Example: increase / decrease to the number of major credits)

This is currently no mechanism for internal transfers or re-entry for students who did not make the qualifying threshold after first year. The Neuroscience undergraduate executive committee (NUEC) has discussed and devised a mechanism that should work for both internal transfer and re-entry which has been added to the FAQ section of the neuroscience website. However, we would like to include this information in the calendar.

Add to: <https://calendars.students.yorku.ca/2021-2022/programs/HH/neuroscience> and <https://calendars.students.yorku.ca/2021-2022/programs/SC/neuroscience>

Students wishing to transfer or gain re-entry into the Neuroscience program will only be considered if they have met the following requirements: (1) completed NRSC 1001 or have the permission of the course director to take the course in the upcoming year, (2) earned at least 24 science credits at York with an overall cumulative GPA of 7.0 (B+) or better, and (3) completed BIOL 1000, BIOL 1001, and PSYC 1010 with a minimum grade of 4.0 (C). Once the requirements are completed, student should request for Change in Major to the RO by June 1st for review. Permission to transfer should be provided by July. Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis before July, where space permits.

6. Provide the rationale for the proposed changes that is rooted in the program learning outcomes.

These changes do not affect the learning outcomes of the program. These changes merely outline the procedure by which BSc students already at York who wish to transfer into the NRSC program or those students who were admitted into the NRSC program but didn't make the qualifying period after their initial 24 credits, to be able to apply for re-entry.

7. Provide an updated mapping of the program requirements to the program learning outcomes to illustrate how the proposed requirements will support the achievement of program learning objectives.

This will open up the possibility for internal BSc students to transfer into or re-entry the NRSC program which will allow the program to retain or attract more students and give them the opportunity to achieve the learning objectives.

8. If relevant, summarize the consultation undertaken with relevant academic units, including commentary on the impact of the proposed changes on other programs. Provide individual statements from the relevant program(s) confirming consultation and their support.

These changes were made in consultation with Associate Deans of the two Faculties: Susan Murtha, Associate Dean Learning, Teaching, & Academic Programs, Mike Scheid, Faculty of Science Associate Dean of Students; directors and managers from student services of the respective Faculties: Josephine Fung and Susy Riberio and the Neuroscience undergraduate executive committee.

9. Describe any resource implications and how they are being addressed (e.g., through a reallocation of existing resources). If new/additional resources are required, provide a statement from the relevant Dean(s)/Principal confirming resources will be in place to implement the changes.

N/A

10. Provide a summary of how students currently enrolled in the program will be accommodated.

This will not affect current students who have already qualified for the NRSC program. This is meant to allow other students to transfer into or re-enter if there is space and they meet the outlined criteria.

Provide as an appendix a side-by-side comparison of the existing and proposed program requirements as they will appear in the Undergraduate or Graduate Calendar.

Existing Program/Certificate/Diploma Regulations	New Program/Certificate/Diploma Regulations
	<p><u>Transfer requirement: For BSc students who wish to transfer into the Neuroscience program. Students will be considered on a case-by-case basis if space permits and if they meet the following requirements: (1) completed NRSC 1001 or have the permission of the program coordinator to take the course in the upcoming year, (2) earned at least 24 science credits at York with an overall cumulative GPA of 7.0 (B+) or better, and (3) completed BIOL 1000, BIOL 1001, and PSYC 1010 with a minimum grade of 4.0 (C). Once the requirements are completed, students should submit a MyProgram request for Change in Major by June 1st for review. Permission to transfer should be provided by July.</u></p> <p><u>Re-entry requirement: For BSc students who were admitted into the Neuroscience program, but did</u></p>

not make the Qualifying requirements. Student can apply for re-entry if the student has achieved (1) an overall cumulative GPA of 7.0 (B+) or better on at least 24 science credits at York, and have (2) completed NRSC 1001, and (3) have completed BIOL 1000, BIOL 1001, and PSYC 1010 with a minimum grade of 4.0 (C). Once the requirements are completed, students should submit a MyProgram request for Change in Major by June 1st for review. Permission to transfer should be provided by July.