

Business and Society (BUSO)

Study the impact of business decisions on the larger society, and understand the correlation between economic decisions and social outcomes. As a Business and Society student, you will benefit from a combination of philosophical, historical, economical, geographical, sociological and political approaches to business.

Sample First Year Schedule

Your first year classes in Business and Society will consist of a mixture of courses within your major and general education courses.

Course Type	Course(s)	Credits
Major Course	AP/SOSC 1340 - Introduction to Business and Society	6.00
Major Course	AP/ECON 1000 - Introduction to Microeconomics (fall)	3.00
Major Course	AP/ECON 1010 - Introduction to Macroeconomics (winter)	3.00
General Education Course	Any approved 1000 level course from the Humanities or Social Sciences	6.00 or 9.00
General Education Course	Any approved course from the Natural Sciences	6.00
	Total	30.00 (maximum)

Program Options

You must choose two specialized streams of study that best suit your interests and career goals. Our streams represent a cross section of the business and society landscapes.

Streams of Study:

- The Social Economy
- Law and Governance
- Business Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility
- The Environment
- The Global Economy
- The Firm and Organization

The York Promise

York is here to support you throughout your unique university journey. Beyond academic achievement, we strive to enrich your student experience through personal and professional development by offering:

- **Career-Focused Services**

Career advising, career fairs and networking opportunities to help sharpen your professional edge.

- **Academic Support**

Learning skills workshops, outstanding libraries, academic accommodations, transition programs and academic advising services designed to help you every step of the way.

- **Social & Leadership Development Programs**

A vibrant social scene with more than 300 clubs and organizations to enhance student life, and help you develop soft skills you can bring to the table in your future career.



Olufunmilayo Adegbesan
Fourth Year Student
Business and Society

“Business and Society at York has helped me achieve my goals in various ways. My academic knowledge has increased immensely and being a part of York University has also helped me develop into a more professional person.”

Your Degree Pathway

A degree in Business and Society requires the completion of 90 Credits for a Bachelor's Degree (three years) or 120 Credits for an Honours Degree (four years). Your courses will consist of Major, General Education, and Elective Courses.

First Year

First year will introduce you to the university environment, provide you with general education courses, and expose you to the general topics of business and society in a variety of university-level disciplines.



Business and Society Courses: Introduction to Business and Society

Economics Courses: Introduction to Microeconomics, Introduction to Macroeconomics

General Education Courses: Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)

Second Year

In your second year, you will continue your development of the fundamentals of Business and Society.



Business and Society Courses: Intermediate Business and Society, and an introduction course in each of the two specialized streams

General Education Courses: Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-Science students)

Courses Outside Business and Society: Choose a new subject to explore

Third Year

Your third year in Business and Society will bring more focus to your specialization while providing room to explore additional interests.



Business and Society Courses: Third-year courses in your two streams of study, as well as a Statistics course (Statistics for Business and Society)

Courses Outside Business and Society: Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections

Fourth Year

In your fourth and final year, you will focus primarily on your stream of study. The curriculum has a wide variety of choices at this level to help you further personalize your degree.



Business and Society Courses: Issues in Business and Society, and one fourth-year course in each of your two streams of study

Courses Outside Business and Society: Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections



Your Degree!