

YORK UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF LIBERAL ARTS & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

BUSINESS AND SOCIETY PROGRAM

Program Requirements for 2022-2023

Important Note: Students entering the program in **2022-2023** must follow the degree requirements as listed

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What is Business & Society?

The Business & Society [BUSO] program is an interdisciplinary liberal arts degree program which provides students with the tools needed to study the relationship between business, the economy and society.

Students enrolled in the program will undertake this study through a multi-disciplinary approach, using texts from philosophy, economics, geography, sociology and political science to name a few.

The program is structured around 4 (four) core courses and 6 (six) specialized streams. Within the BUSO core courses, capitalist business practices are critically examined and a variety of responses and alternatives to these impacts are evaluated.

What Business & Society is not?

The program is not a business program in the traditional sense, and it does not, therefore, equip students with the skills for working in particular sectors of business; rather it provides historical, social, scientific and ethical perspectives on the role of business in the world and explores alternative models of business to those associated with traditional private enterprises.

Where will a BUSO degree take you?

The BUSO program is very flexible in its design and, thereby, allows students to pursue a range of general and specific career paths. There are four general career paths that a student may follow with a BUSO degree, in the for-profit sector, the non-profit sector, the public sector or graduate school. In each of these general areas is typically a further specification:

- **The Private (For-Profit) sector**

The private (for-profit) sector includes a variety of business types that can be grouped by size (small and medium-sized businesses, large corporations) or sector (manufacturing, retail, financial, natural resource industries, etc.). Large corporations typically require personnel to fill positions in specific functional areas (e.g., accounting, marketing, human resources, public relations, finance, etc.). The streams chosen will largely determine the areas for which you will be able to apply.

- **The Non-Profit Sector**

The non-profit (or not-for-profit) sector includes a diverse range of organizations such as foundations, non-governmental organizations (NGOs such as the Green Peace, the Red Cross, Amnesty International, the World Wildlife Fund, etc.), labour unions and manufacturing, the financial and consumer sectors and co-operatives.

- **The Public Sector**

Includes Federal, Provincial and Municipal levels of government; Teaching, Government departments employ people in a range of functional areas and, again, the streams you choose will largely determine the areas for which you will be able to apply. Depending upon the job requirements, you may be required to write specific examinations. For employment with the federal government, the Public Service Commission of Canada website provides more information. Provincial jobs are posted on <https://www.gojobs.gov.on.ca/>.

- **Graduate School**

To pursue further education, graduate school may be a consideration. There are two basic options for consideration.

- **Master of Arts Degree**

- **Professional Degrees**

Admission to these programs is typically based upon a combination of test results (e.g., GMAT), academic background (GPA) and work experience.

General Information for Students

Academic Advising

The Department of Social Science assists students with queries relating to program selection, course enrolment and charting out their academic career. **Please see [Academic Advising | Department of Social Science \(yorku.ca\)](#) for information about virtual advising or email socsci@yorku.ca.**

The Program Coordinator is also available to meet and advise students on program specific queries. Please check the website [Business & Society Degree | Department of Social Science \(yorku.ca\)](#) for details.

The BUSO Program Office, located at Ross South Building, room 737, also provides information and advice specific to the program. Students are encouraged to schedule an appointment by calling 416.736.2100 extn. 77805 or by sending an email to buso@yorku.ca. **During peak periods, the quickest way to meet with the Program Assistant is to drop by the office S737 Ross. Office hours are from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Monday to Friday.**

Please meet with an Academic Advisor for the following:

- **Repeating a course**

A passed or failed course may be repeated once for degree credit. When a course is repeated for degree credit, the second grade will be calculated in the grade point average. However, the record of both the first and the second attempt will appear on the transcript. This restriction is also applicable to cross-listed courses or course credit exclusions. More information is available at: [Secretariat Policies \(yorku.ca\)](#)

- **Petitioning a course**

It is important to first review the University and Faculty rules and regulations. Once this is understood, students must complete the Petition Package and proceed with the process. Complete details are available at: [Academic Petitions and Your Education | York University](#)

- **General Education Courses**

Details are available at: [York University Courses Website - Search General Education Courses](#)

Students must complete 21 credits, as follows:

Natural Science	NATS xxxx	6 credits
Humanities	HUMA xxxx	9 or 6 credits
Social Science	SOSC xxxx	6 or 9 credits = 21 credits total

It is the student's responsibility to ensure that they are enrolled in **approved** General Education Courses, as listed in the link above.

- **Upper-Level Requirement**

The Faculty also considers it good educational practice to ensure that students take a number of credits at the 3000 level and/or 4000 level. (A course's level is indicated by the first digit of its number.)

- **Residency Requirement**

Overall, at least 30 credits must be taken at York University.

Major program requirement calls for at least half (50%) of the courses to be taken at YorkU.

Student Support Services

The **Writing Centre** is located in Ross Building South, Room 311 (Tel: 416.736.5134).

The Centre offers practical instruction on all aspects of writing to all students in the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies. Tutors are available who specialize in working with ESL students or students with disabilities affecting their language learning and language skills. For more information, visit <https://www.yorku.ca/laps/writing-centre/>.

Student Counselling, Health & Well-being is located at N110 Bennett Centre (Tel: 416.736.5297).

The Centre offers personal counseling, skills development workshops on time-management, stress management and test preparation. Also, support is provided to students with mental health issues and learning disabilities. More information is available at: <https://counselling.students.yorku.ca/>

Student Code of Conduct

Information on standards of student conduct, complaint process and students' rights is available at: <http://secretariat-policies.info.yorku.ca/>

Plagiarism & Academic Integrity

Students are to bear full responsibility for familiarizing themselves with the York U's regulations on academic integrity.

More information is available at: <http://secretariat-policies.info.yorku.ca/>

To understand what constitutes plagiarism, please visit: [SPARK | YorkU](#)

Grade Re-Appraisals

Should a reported grade be incorrect, please liaise with the Course Director first. Should it not be resolved at this stage, then apply for a grade re-appraisal **within 21 days** after the release of final grades. If the Course Director is not available, please report to the department, prior the deadline. You can also contact the Registrar's Office (www.registrar.yorku.ca) if you have additional concerns.

More details available at: <https://myacademicrecord.students.yorku.ca/grade-reappraisal-policy>

All Grade Re-appraisal requests must be **submitted to the department offering the course**.

GPA Calculation

This link will assist you calculate your Grade Point Average (GPA): [GPA Calculator & Reverse GPA Calculator | York University](#).

To graduate with **BA**, the minimum Overall Grade Point Average is 4.0 (C)

To graduate with **BA Hons.** the minimum Overall Grade Point Average is 5.0 (C+)

Student Responsibility

Academic advising is a shared responsibility between you the student and the advisor.

As a student you are to accept full ownership for all decisions. Academic Advisors will assist you by presenting options. Become knowledgeable of and adhere to institutional policies, procedures and requirements.

It is important for students to recognize their responsibility to familiarize themselves with the academic policies, procedures and requirements published each year in the Undergraduate Calendar. They must continually monitor their progress toward graduation and for their academic choices.

Students are expected to:

- ensure the courses they choose meet all requirements for graduation;
- ensure the courses they choose meet prerequisites and are not course credit exclusions of other courses already taken;
- ensure the times of the courses they choose do not conflict;
- ensure the accuracy of their registration records, including all changes;
- note and observe deadlines and procedures, especially deadlines for adding and dropping courses;
- ensure full documentation is provided in support of petitions and other requests for special consideration;
- keep themselves informed about their academic progress, including their performance in individual courses;
- ensure they are familiar with the University Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities
<https://oscr.students.yorku.ca/student-conduct>
- ensure they understand University Academic Integrity provisions <https://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies>

It is also recommended that students become familiar with the broad range of information and services available through the LA&PS website. This site has a great deal of information on the matters listed above, but also provides useful links to services such as Web enrolment, Student Client Services in the Division of Students and Student Community and Leadership Development and Faculty-affiliated colleges.

Please remember that advising is a shared relationship between you and the advisor. Advisors can explain policies and regulations or offer academic options. However, you must accept final responsibility for the decisions you make regarding your academic program and standing. In the end, the best way for you to succeed and keep your academic

BUSO PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Important

- Prerequisites for courses must be met. Check course descriptions carefully for prerequisite requirements.
- Any course substitution requires the prior approval of the Program Coordinator.
- Students may not 'double count' the same course for credit in both a stream and in the program core.
- 9 credit General Education courses (SOSC 1340 9.0, SOSC 1341 9.0) count as 6.0 credits towards program/stream, 3.0 credits towards electives.

Statistics Requirement

- All BUSO students must complete any 3.0 credits **statistics** course. Check course descriptions carefully for course credit exclusions to avoid duplicating course work.
- Below is a list of STATS courses:

Approved courses: [SC/MATH 1532 3.00](#) is the recommended statistics course for BUSO majors.

*Other approved statistics courses are:

[AP/ADMS 2310 3.00](#)

[AP/ECON 2500 3.00](#)

[AP/POLS 3300 6.00](#) (cross-listed to: [AP/PPAS 3300 6.00](#), [AP/SOCI 3030 6.00](#))

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[EU/GEOG 2420 3.00](#) (cross-listed to: [SC/GEOG 2420 3.00](#))

[HH/KINE 2050 3.00](#)

[HH/PSYC 2020 6.00](#)

[HH/PSYC 2021 3.00](#)

[SC/BIOL 2060 3.00](#)

[SC/GEOG 2420 3.00](#) (cross-listed to: [EU/GEOG 2420 3.00](#));

[SC/MATH 1131 3.00](#)

[SC/MATH 2560 3.00](#) (not being offered in Fall/Winter 2022-2023)

[SC/MATH 1532 3.00](#) is the recommended statistics course for BUSO students.

Honours BA: 120 Credits

Program Core:

21 credits, including:

- AP/ECON 1000 3.0 Introduction to Microeconomics
- AP/ECON 1010 3.0 Introduction to Macroeconomics
- AP/SOSC 1340 6.0 Intro to Business & Society
AP/SOSC 1349 6.0 [For registered ESL students]
- AP/SOSC 2340 6.0 Intermediate Business & Society
AP/SOSC 2349 6.0 [For registered ESL students]
Pre-requisite AP/SOSC 1340 or 1349 [for registered ESL students]
- SC/MATH 1532 3.0 or AP/ADMS 2310 3.0

NOTE: Students who are starting the Business & Society programme in September 2021, should enrol in either Section A or Section B of **SOSC 1340 9.0** Introduction to Business & Society. Please do **not** enrol in SOSC 1340 6.0 Section M. Completing SOSC 1340 9.0 Section A or Section B will fulfil the core requirement in BUSO but it will not count as a general education course for majors in Business & Society.

NOTE: With permission of the Program Coordinator, students can replace 4000 level stream requirements with AP/SOSC 4099 6.0 or AP/SOSC 4099 3.0:

Program Streams:

36 credits, including:

- 12 credits from each of the two of the streams [total 24 credits]
- 6 credits from each of the two streams at the 4000 level [total 12 credits]

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For additional information regarding the following requirements, please meet with an academic advisor in the Social Science Department (416-736-5054).

General Education:

A minimum of 21 General Education credits.

Details are available at: [Frequently Asked Student Questions At LA&PS | York University](#)

- Click on: [Which General Education requirements should I be following?](#)

Upper-level requirement:

Students must have at least 36 credits at the 3000 level or 4000 level, including at least 18 credits at the 4000 level.

Graduation Requirement:

Must successfully complete at least 120 credits which meet the Faculty's degree and program requirements with a CGPA or OGPA of at least 5.0

Note: The BUSO program does not offer a Double Major or Major/Minor Program.

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BA: 90 Credits

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21 credits, including:

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- AP/SOSC 2340 6.0 Intermediate Business & Society
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Pre-requisite AP/SOSC 1340 or 1349 [for registered ESL students]
- SC/MATH 1532 3.0 or AP/ADMS 2310 3.0

Program Streams:

24 credits, including:

- 12 credits from each of the two of the streams including at least 6 credits at the 3000 level in each of the two streams.

Note: Registered ESL students may replace AP/SOSC 1340 6.0 with AP/SOSC 1349 6.0 and AP/SOSC 2340 6.0 with AP/SOSC 2349 6.0

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PROGRAM CORE:

Required Courses

- **AP/ECON 1000 3.0 Introduction to Microeconomics**
[Course credit exclusions: GL/ECON 2500 3.0, SB/INTL 1200 3.0.] [Note: Acceptable course substitutes are available in the Calendar.]
Introduces the principles and methods of economics with emphasis on microeconomic theory. Topics include general and basic concepts of demand and supply, utility analysis and demand, production and costs, pricing in competitive and monopolistic markets, and government regulation.
- **AP/ECON 1010 3.0 Introduction to Macroeconomics**
[Course credit exclusions: GL/ECON 2510 3.0, SB/INTL 1210 3.0.] [Note: Acceptable course substitutes are available in the Calendar.]
Introduces the principles and methods of economics with emphasis on macroeconomic theory. Topics include basic models of national income and employment determination, fiscal policy, banking and monetary policy, the theory of international trade and finance, and contemporary macro-economic issues such as unemployment, inflation, and government budget policy.
- **AP/SOSC 1340 6.0 Introduction to Business & Society**
[Course credit exclusions: GL/ECON 2500 3.0, SB/INTL 1200 3.0.] [Note: Acceptable course substitutes are available in the Calendar.] [PRIOR TO FALL 2009: Course credit exclusions: AK/AS/ECON 1000 3.0, AK/ECON 2410 3.0 (prior to Summer 1995), GL/ECON 2500 3.0, SB/INTL 1200 3.0.]
This course introduces major themes in the field of business and society, including various theoretical approaches and concepts. Particular attention is paid to specific historical developments in the rise of the capitalist economy, and the social transformations associated with these developments.
- **AP/SOSC 2340 6.0 Intermediate Business & Society**
[Prerequisites: AP/SOSC 1340/49 6.0] *Open to: Business and Society majors. Not open to: Non-BUSO majors, except by permission.*
An introduction to business and society studies, emphasizing the interaction of economic and social development globally and in the Canadian context, and introducing the perspectives of economics, mathematics and statistics, political science, psychology, labour studies and sociology.
- **SC/MATH 1532 3.0 or AP/ADMS 2310 3.0**
- **For the Honours program Only:**
- NOTE:** With permission of the Program Coordinator, students can replace 4000 level stream requirements with AP/SOSC 4099 6.0 or AP/SOSC 4099 3.0

STREAMS:

Students must choose two (2) from the streams listed below:

1. Business Ethics & Corporate Social Responsibility [BE]
2. The Environment [EN]
3. The Firm and Organization [FO]
4. The Global Economy [GB]
5. Law and Governance [LG]
6. The Social Economy [SN]

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1. Business Ethics & Corporate Social Responsibility

→ 6.0 credits chosen from:

AP/Phil 2060 3.0 Social & Political Philosophy

Course credit exclusion: GL/PHIL 2923 3.0.

PRIOR TO FALL 2009: Course credit exclusions: AK/AS/PHIL 2060 3.0, AK/PHIL 2440 3.0

An introduction to philosophy focusing on problems concerning the nature of society, the nature of the state, justice and human rights, freedom and censorship, etc.

AP/PHIL 2070 3.0 Introduction to Ethics

A basic introduction both to the major ethical theories in Western thought and to some basic Meta-ethical questions concerning the possibility of moral truth.

AP/PHIL 2075 3.0 Introduction to Applied Ethics

Course credit exclusion: GL/PHIL 2615 3.0.

An introduction to ethics focusing on the application of ethical theories to controversial public issues such as abortion, affirmative action and euthanasia, among others.

AP/PHIL 3020 3.0 Ethics

Prerequisite: At least one of: AP/PHIL 2070 3.00 or AP/PHIL 2075 3.00.

Course credit exclusion: GL/PHIL 3237 3.00.

An advanced course in theoretical ethics, understood as covering both normative ethical theory and meta-ethics.

AP/PHIL 3110 3.0 Political Philosophy

Prerequisite: At least one of AP/PHIL 2050 6.00 or AP/PHIL 2060 3.00.

PRIOR TO FALL 2014: Course credit exclusion: GL/PHIL 3235 3.00.

An exploration of major topics in political philosophy, such as the authority of the state, the justification of private property, the nature of rights, theories of justice, and political equality.

AP/PHIL 3510 3.0 Feminist Approaches to Ethics & Politics (not offered in 22-23)

Prerequisites: AP/ PHIL 2500 3.0 or AP/PHIL 2070 3.0 or AP/GWST 2500 6.0 or AP/WMST 2500 6.0 prior to Fall 2013.

Please see Philosophy Department regarding prerequisites prior to 2009.

A study of recent feminist writing in ethics and political philosophy. Topics include: feminist critiques of ethical theory, the (potentially) gendered nature of value, the relationship between justice and care, and issues like reproductive autonomy, sexual violence, and global injustice.

AP/SOSC 2571 6.0 Intro. to Modern Soc. Political Thought

Previously offered as: AP/SOSC 2571 9.00.

This course provides a broad introduction to the interdisciplinary study of modern social and political thought. Through critical readings and analyses of primary texts, students become familiar with the rise of the liberal tradition, focusing on critiques, defenses and developments of its conceptions of the modern world.

→ **AP/SOSC 3040 6.0 Corporate Social Responsibility**

Prerequisites: AP/SOSC 2340 6.00 or AP/SOSC 2349 6.00 or permission of Instructor.

Investigates the theory and practice of Corporate Social Responsibility programs, including the normative and social science analysis of particular issues and practices, as well as their role in regulation and legitimation in larger political economy regimes.

→ For the Honours program:

AP/SOSC 4044 6.0 Ethics and Economics

Course credit exclusions: None. PRIOR TO FALL 2009: Course credit exclusion: AS/SOSC 4044 6.0. Pre-Req. SOSC 2340/49

This course looks at the relationship between ethics and economics both in the historical development of the "political economy" and in modern "economics". Both symbioses and tensions between economics and ethics will be explored.

2. The Environment

→ 3.0 credits chosen from:

Because ENVS 2000 6.0 and ENVS 2400 6.0 are not offered 2022-23, students in the Environment stream may take 6 credits from any of the following courses (subject to availability):

EU/ENVS 1300 3.0 Environmental Politics and Justice

Course Credit Exclusions: ES/EU ENVS 2000 6.00

How do we change the world? How do we construct a just society? This core course focuses on facing today's environmental challenges through politics and environmental justice movements. You will study how environmental inequalities arise, including class, indigenous, racial and gender dimensions. You will also learn methods for researching issues/problems in environmental politics and justice, and strategies for addressing them both locally and globally. And you will develop analytical, writing, artistic, collaborative and presentation skills to envision and realize a better environmental future.

EU/ENVS 1400 3.0 Foundations of Environmental Management: Policy, Resources and Conservation

This course provides the foundational understanding of core concepts approaches and methods in environmental management. Drawing on the natural and social sciences, this course examines the role of policy and management strategies in addressing environmental, nature resource and conservation challenges, in ways supportive of sustainable development. It provides an overview of the concepts, knowledge and skills that are needed to be effective in environmental policy and management in government, business and not-for-profit sectors.

EU/ENVS 2327 3.0 In/Humanities: Critical Perspectives on Environmental Justice

This foundational, interdisciplinary course introduces students to critical perspectives on environmental justice based in history, art, literature, philosophy, and related humanistic social sciences. In addition to its substantive focus on cultural, conceptual, and historical dimensions of environmental in/justice, the course emphasizes the development of critical reading, thinking, and writing skills.

EU/ENVS 2403 3.0 Solutions: Sustainability, Justice, Transitions

There is no lack of solutions for environmental problems, including the most severe that we face. But how to evaluate which ones can generate the best outcomes? In this course, we think critically about proposed solutions: Who is proposing them, who benefits, and who might have to pay for implementation? What approaches to the Transition might help us assess opportunities and obstacles to change?

EU/ENVS 2410 3.0 Environmental Governance and Policy: Ideas, Interests & Institutions

This course examines the development and implementation of public policies related to the environment and sustainability. The course will focus on the interaction of institutions, societal forces, ideas and landscape factors in the Canadian environmental policy experience.

EU/ENVS 2510 3.0 Economics for the Anthropocene

The application of economic principles to environmental issues is introduced and critically reviewed. Linkages between economic factors, social processes and natural environments are explored. The use of economic principles in deriving solutions to issues of climate change, resource management, and environmental regulation is examined. This course is intended for students with no background in economics.

→ **AP/SOSC 3044 3.0 Green Business**

Pre-requisite: AP/SOSC1340 9.00 or AP/SOSC1349 9.00

This course focuses on the business and management implications of environmental change in both the Global South and Global North. Concepts and tools covered in the course identify and measure impacts of production and other economic activities such as ecological degradation, resource depletion, adverse effects on human health, and other externalities

→ **6.0 credits chosen from:**

EU/ENVS 3130 3.0 Energy and the Environment in Canada

Prerequisite: EU/ENVS 2400 6.00 or permission of Instructor. Prior to FALL 2020: ES/ENVS 2400 6.00

The course focuses on relationships between socio-economic development, energy use, and the environment in Canada. Energy sources, energy end use, energy technology, and energy institutions as well as the social and ecological impacts of energy use are examined. Energy systems supportive of sustainable development are explored.

EU/ENVS 3340 3.0 Global Environmental Politics

Prerequisite: Third-year or fourth- year standing or by permission of the instructor.

Examines the interrelationship between globalization and environment. It analyzes the historical development of the global environmental system and theoretical approaches to understanding the global environment. It considers the main actors, institutions and legal instruments related to global environmental issues. The environmental impacts of, and political responses to, such phenomena as global warming, trade, structural adjustment, transnational corporate activity, foreign aid, environmental security, and biodiversity depletion are studied.

EU/ENVS 3410 3.0 Environmental Policy I (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: Third or fourth year standing, or permission of the instructor

The formulation of environmental policy is the focus its underlying scope, concepts, legal bases, methodologies. Case studies illustrate the interaction of environmental policy with other policy areas: foreign and trade policy, economic and social policy. Critical review of how policy is created participants, effects, burdens and benefits.

EU/ENVS 3430 3.0 Environmental Assessment

Prerequisite: Third year or fourth year standing or permission of the instructor.

Provides a critical overview of the theory and practice of environmental assessment (EA). Course objectives include gaining familiarity with the fundamentals of EA; exploring substantive and process-oriented issues through case studies; and practising methods and techniques. EA is examined broadly as a management and decision-support tool with applications at the project, planning and policy levels.

EU/ENVS 3440 3.0 Resource Management (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: Third or fourth year standing and completion of six credits in ES/ENVS, or permission of the instructor.

Current theories of resource management, methods, information and decision-making are reviewed critically. Ethical, cultural, social and economic perspectives on resource management are explored through case studies.

EU/ENVS 3505 3.0 Business and Sustainability: Issues and Strategies

Prerequisite: Third year or fourth year standing or by permission of the Instructor.

An introduction to key dimensions of business and sustainability including: what is sustainability? "values-driven" business models and practices; eco-production in key economic sectors (food, manufacturing, energy, building); financing sustainability; indicators of sustainability; green regulation; and green business strategies.

EU/ENVS 3510 3.0 Environmental Economics (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: Third or fourth year standing and completion of six credits in ES/ENVS, or permission of the instructor.

The application of economic principles to environmental issues is introduced and critically reviewed. Linkages between economic factors, social processes and natural environments are explored. The use of economic principles in deriving solutions to issues of pollution control, resource depletion, and environmental regulation is explored.

→ For the Honours program: 6.0 credits chosen from:

AP/SOSC 4048 3.0 The Business of Fair Trade (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: AP/SOSC 2340 6.0

The seminar course is an optional course in the Environment stream of the Business & Society program. It focuses on various aspects of the practice of fair trade - as a form of regulation, as a form of production and as a social movement.

AP/SOSC 4049 3.0 The Business of Food & Farming

Prerequisite: AP/SOSC 2340 6.0

The seminar course focuses on Food and Farming, including the analysis of different types of agricultural production and their ability to provide the basis for sustainable food systems.

EU/ENVS 4011 3.0 Food, Land and Culture (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: Fourth year standing or by permission of the instructor.

Students with Third year standing may have access subject to space availability and approval from the Faculty.

Examines food, land, and culture from a critical interdisciplinary environmental perspective. Students have the opportunity to pursue their own interests related to food politics, planning, sustainable and alternative agriculture, human-animal relationships and ethics, from a local and or global perspective.

EU/ENVS 4140 3.0 Nature and Culture: Environmental Thought

Prerequisite: Fourth year standing or by permission of the instructor.

Students with Third year standing may have access subject to space availability and approval from the Faculty.

An introduction to diverse ways of seeing and understanding nature. An historical perspective on the development of environmental thought leads to an exploration of various perspectives and critiques of the standard scientific and technological approaches to understanding nature, as offered by alternative schools of thought such as humanists, deep ecologists and ecofeminists. Prerequisite: Fourth year standing or by permission of the Instructor. Students with Third year standing may have access subject to space availability and approval from the Faculty.

EU/ENVS 4161 3.0 Social Movements, Activism and Social Change (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: Fourth year standing or by permission of the instructor.

Students with Third year standing may have access subject to space availability and approval from the Faculty.

This course examines new social movements that have arisen in response to the crisis of industrial culture, economic restructuring, shifting political formations, and ecological disasters. The course focuses on current theories of social movements, contested issues, and case studies of social movements in action and is intended to provide opportunities for students to gain first-hand experience with social movement organizations through participatory research projects.

EU/ENVS 4210 3.0 Global Populations: Critical Environmental Perspectives (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: Fourth year standing or by permission of the instructor. Students with Third year standing may have access subject to space availability and approval from the Faculty.

Examines the trends, causes and consequences in population growth and movements across the globe. It studies the environmental impacts of rises in population, global refugee and immigration patterns and their socio-environmental consequences, and the influence of new immigrants and 'diasporas' on national identity and culture. Case studies explore existing and alternative family planning policies, the enhancement of women's status through educational, health and employment strategies, and immigration and multicultural policies in developed and developing countries.

EU/ENVS 4320 3.0 Gender & Development (not offered 22-23)

The course presents an overview of gender and development analysis as a framework for considering the role of women in third world development. Consideration of theories and concepts leads to case studies illustrating issues and practices. Prerequisite: Fourth year standing or by permission of the instructor. Students with Third year standing may have access subject to space availability and approval from the Faculty.

EU/ENVS 4421 3.0 Environmental Law & Justice: Stories and Struggles

Prerequisite: Fourth year standing or by permission of the instructor.

Students with Third year standing may have access subject to space availability and approval from the Faculty.

This course builds on ES/ENVS 3420 3.0, which is recommended.

This course examines and evaluates how contemporary advocates employ law to protect the environment, secure equal access to environmental health, and contribute to social justice. This course builds on ES/ENVS 3420 3.0, which is recommended.

EU/ENVS 4510 3.0 Ecological Economics (not offered 22-23)

Prerequisite: Third year or fourth year standing and completion of six credits in Environmental Studies or permission of the instructor.

This course builds on ES/ENVS 3510 3.0.

Provides an introduction to the emerging field of ecological economics. Areas of focus include the appropriate scale of the economy in relation to the environment, the role of discount rates in mediating intergenerational and interspecies equity, environmental valuation, full-cost accounting, environmental risk assessment, and the application of thermodynamic and ecological principles in economic analysis.

3. The Firm and Organization

→ AP/SOSC 2342 6.0 The Firm, Organization and Management

This course is for students taking the Firm and Organization stream in Business and Society. It introduces students to different disciplinary perspectives on organizations, the firm, management and the role of business schools in Anglo-American society. It involves lecture-based and tutorial learning as students evaluate the design, governance, and valuation of the firm as an organization central to contemporary capitalism.

→ AP/SOSC 3043 3.0 Comparative Perspectives on Social Exclusion & Business

Pre-requisite: AP/SOSC1340 9.00 or AP/SOSC1340 6.00

This course is for students in the Business and Society program. It investigates the intersection of business practices and systemic bias against marginalized groups - in particular, visible minorities and women in Canada and the developed world.

→ AP/SOSC 3045 3.0 Finance and Society: Decoding the Language and Social Organization of Contemporary Finance

Pre-requisite: AP/SOSC1340 9.00 or AP/SOSC1340 6.00

This course takes an interdisciplinary social scientific approach to the study of finance in contemporary society. It explores the process of financialization from the late 1970s until present, along with the social impact of this shift in economic organization. It critically engages with the language of finance, decoding terminology relating to financial markets, pensions and institutional investment funds, securitized debt, derivatives, hedge funds, and private equity.

→ For the Honours program: 6.0 credits chosen from:

AP/SOSC 4043 6.0 Corporate Governance and Business Law in Comparative Context

Examines intersections between business and the law. Particular attention is paid to the nature of the firm and corporate governance, governance structures in a comparative context, and recent and controversial issues regarding the relationship between business and the law.

4. The Global Economy

→ 6.0 credits chosen from:

AP/POLS 2940 6.0 Introduction to International Politics (not offered 22-23)

Course credit exclusion: GL/ILST 2300 3.0. PRIOR to Fall 2010: Course credit exclusion: AS/POLS 2210 6.0

This course explores the forces that structure power, conflict, compromise and cooperation both within states and among them, emphasizing the diversities and inequalities, the violence, and the on-going struggles to achieve political community that mark the present era of "globalization."

OR

AP/POLS 2950 6.0 States & Societies-Global Context Comparative Politics (not offered 22-23)

Introduction to Comparative Politics. An introduction to the comparative study of political systems, institutions, and processes. The second half of the course will examine in detail the government and politics of specific countries and regions.

OR

AP/POLS 2201 3.0 Introduction to International Politics

The study of the forces that structure, power, conflict, compromise and cooperation both within states and among them, emphasizing the diversities and inequalities, the violence, and the on-going struggles to achieve political community that mark the present era of 'globalization.'

AND

AP/POLS 2400 3.0 Introduction to Comparative Politics

An introduction to the comparative study of political systems, institutions, and processes. The second half of the course will examine in detail the government and politics of specific countries and regions.

→ **AP/SOSC 3042 3.0 Business and Social Exclusion in the Global South**

Prerequisites: AP/SOSC 1340 6.00 AP/SOSC 1340 9.00 (for IDS majors, AP/SOSC 1430 9.00)

This course is for students in the Business and Society program. It investigates the intersection of business practices and systemic bias against marginalized groups - in particular visible minorities and women in the global economy.

→ **AP/SOSC 3045 3.0 Finance and Society: Decoding the Language and Social Organization of Contemporary Finance**

Pre-requisite: AP/SOSC1340 9.00 or AP/SOSC1340 6.00

This course takes an interdisciplinary social scientific approach to the study of finance in contemporary society. It explores the process of financialization from the late 1970s until present, along with the social impact of this shift in economic organization. It critically engages with the language of finance, decoding terminology relating to financial markets, pensions and institutional investment funds, securitized debt, derivatives, hedge funds, and private equity.

→ **For the Honours program: 6.0 credits chosen from:**

AP/SOSC 4047 6.0 Neoliberalism

Open to: BUSO majors in Global Economy Stream and other BUSO students with permission

This course is designed for students taking the Global Economy stream in Business & Society. It introduces students to different theories of globalisation and specifically to those theories based on free market ideology, politics and policies. It involves seminar-based and group-based learning as students evaluate the specific implications of neoliberalism to particular countries, industries and social groups.

5. Law and Governance

→ **AP/SOSC 2330 6.0 Political Economy of Law, Policy and Organization**

Course credit exclusion: AP/SOSC 2330 9.00 (prior to Fall 2014).

PRIOR TO FALL 2009: Course credit exclusion: AS/SOSC 2330 9.00.

This course considers economics as a form of moral argument. This course considers how economists evaluate existing government policies in a broad variety of areas, including housing policies and rent control, environmental protection and gender equity in the workplace.

→ **AP/SOSC 3040 6.0 Corporate Social Responsibility**

Prerequisites: AP/SOSC 2340 6.00 or AP/SOSC 2349 6.00 or permission of Instructor.

Investigates the theory and practice of Corporate Social Responsibility programs, including the normative and social science analysis of particular issues and practices, as well as their role in regulation and legitimation in larger political economy regimes.

→ For the Honours program:

AP/SOSC 4043 6.0 Corporate Governance & Business Law in Comparative Context

Examines intersections between business and the law. Particular attention is paid to the nature of the firm and corporate governance, governance structures in a comparative context, and recent and controversial issues regarding the relationship between business and the law.

6. The Social Economy

→ **AP/SOSC 1341 9.0 Introduction to The Social Economy**

6.0 credits towards stream; 3.0 credits towards electives

Note: This course has been approved in the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies for general education credit

PRIOR TO FALL 2009: Course credit exclusion: AS/SOSC 1341 9.0

This course introduces students to the social economy (including co-operatives, credit unions, worker-owned firms, non-profit social service organizations, etc.). It investigates the history of the social economy and its potential contributions to local, regional and international socio-economic development.

→ **AP/SOSC 3041 6.0 The Social Economy and Alternative Development**

Prerequisites: AP/SOSC 1341 9.00

Open to: Business and Society majors in the Social Economy stream.

Not open to: Non-BUSO majors, BUSO majors not taking the social economy stream, except by permission.

The course examines alternative business and economic structures to those of the private corporation in the contemporary world. Particular attention is paid to cooperatives and worker-owned firms and their impact not just on those who work in such organizations but also on the wider economic environment in which they operate.

→ For the Honours program: 6.0 credits chosen from:

AP/SOSC 4046 6.0 Social Economy Practicum

Prerequisite: AP/SOSC 3041 6.00

Open to: BUSO majors in Social Economy Stream (and other BUSO students with permission).

Not open to: Non-BUSO majors except by permission.

This course is designed primarily for students in the Social Economy stream of the Business & Society program. It involves students being assigned to an unpaid work placement for a social economy organization in the Greater Toronto Area.

Awards and Scholarships

Department of Social Science — Social Science Bursary

The award is an annual prize of approximately \$80 given to a student who is majoring in one of the Social Science programs, who has completed between 30 and 60 credits with a GPA of 6.0 or higher, who is currently registered in a minimum of 18 credits, who is a Canadian citizen/permanent resident, Ontario resident, and who demonstrates financial need. The Office of Student Financial Services will select the recipient in the fall.

Department of Social Science — Ellen Baar Award

This annual award of approximately \$1250 honours the memory of Professor Ellen Baar, a member in the Division of Social Science from 1971 until her death in 1998 who was strongly committed to the Division's interdisciplinary teaching. It is given to the student entering his/her final year as a major in a Division interdisciplinary program who received the highest GPA in his/her third year of studies, will have completed at least two Division courses in the program, and demonstrates financial need. (If the student with the highest GPA does not demonstrate financial need, a transcript notation will record his/her achievement, and the funds will be distributed to the next highest student who meets the criteria.) Applications may be obtained at the office of the Division's chair or on-line.

Business and Society Honours Award

The Business and Society Honours Award has been established by the Business and Society program to offer assistance to a fourth year BUSO honours major. Recipients of the award will be chosen on the basis of a combination of three criteria: 1) academic achievement; 2) financial need, and 3) community involvement.

BUSO Social Economy Scholarship

The Alterna Social Economy Scholarship in honour of Haswell B. Iron (worth approx. \$2,500) will be given to a fourth year Business and Society student in the Social Economy stream who has achieved top academic standing in the program during their third year of study and who is committed to promoting awareness and knowledge of social economy as a student ambassador for the BUSO program during their fourth year. This entails the student undertaking a leadership role within at least one major project, program or event during the course of the year which will directly contribute to greater awareness of the social economy on the York Campus. This project, program or event may have educational, organizing and/or research components associated with it.

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