

**Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies (LA&PS)**  
**Department of Social Science- Bachelor of Arts (BA)**  
**International Development Studies – Specialized Honours**  
**(2021/2022 Program Checklist)**



| <b>GENERAL EDUCATION - 21 Credits</b><br>21 credits at the 1000 level, chosen from 3 different general education categories                    | <b>Credit</b> | <b>Complete or Incomplete</b> | <b>Grade</b> | <b>Notes</b> |
|--|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1) Humanities or Social Science:   | 9.00          |                               |              |              |
| 2) Humanities or Social Science: (whichever is not taken in line 1)  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| 3) Natural Science:  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| <b>Total General Education Credits</b>   | <b>21.00</b>  |                               |              |              |
| <b>MAJOR – 60 Credits</b>  |               |                               |              |              |
| <b>Core Courses – 24 credits</b>   |               |                               |              |              |
| SOSC 1430 <sup>1</sup> Intro.to International Development Studies  | 9.00          |                               |              |              |
| SOSC 2800 Development in Comparative and Historical Perspective  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| SOSC 3800 Development Studies and Research Methods   | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| SOSC 4600 Advanced Seminar in International Development Studies  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| <b>Area Requirements: 30 Credits<sup>2</sup></b>   |               |                               |              |              |
| <i>18 Credits- 6 in each of the three areas picked</i>   |               |                               |              |              |
| Area 1   | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| Area 2   | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| Area 3   | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| <i>12 credits at the 4000 level in two of the three areas of concentration.</i>  |               |                               |              |              |
| AREA 1/2/3/4000-Level  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
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| <b>six credits chosen from the following:</b> AP/HUMA 1400 9.00, AP/HUMA 2310 6.00, AP/SOSC 2480 6.00, AP/SOSC 2460 6.00 or AP/SOSC 2435 6.00; | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| <b>Total Major Credits</b>   | <b>60.00</b>  |                               |              |              |
| <b>Credits Outside the Major – at least 18 Credits</b>   |               |                               |              |              |
| Course Outside IDST LISTS:   | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
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| <b>Total Credits Outside Major</b>   | <b>18.00</b>  |                               |              |              |
| <b>Free Choice: 21 Credits</b>   |               |                               |              |              |
| Any Course:  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| Any Course:  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| Any Course:  | 6.00          |                               |              |              |
| Any Course:  | 3.00          |                               |              |              |
| <b>Total Free Choice Credits</b>   | <b>21.00</b>  |                               |              |              |
| <b>Total Degree Credits</b>  | <b>120.00</b> |                               |              |              |

<sup>1</sup> For purposes of meeting program requirements, all nine-credit (foundation) courses, including SOSC 1430 and HUMA 1400, will count as six credits towards the major. The extra 3 credits will be applied towards the free choice credits.

<sup>2</sup> For Information on IDST's areas of concentration please refer to the Program's Academic Calendar

Additional Notes:

**Requirement Checklist and Notes (To ensure graduation, each box must be checked 'completed')**

- Residency Requirement: a minimum of 30 course credits and at least half (50 per cent) of the course credits required in each undergraduate degree program major/minor must be taken at York University.
- Upper-level Requirement: at least 36 credits at the 3000-4000 level. 18 credits must be at the 4000 level
- Cumulative grade point average of at least 5.0.

| Upper Level Checklist                |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 3000 LEVEL:                          | 4000 LEVEL: must be at least 18 credits |
| SOSC 3800 6.00                       | SOSC 4600 6.00                          |
|                                      |   |
|                                      |   |
| <b>Total = 36 credits (at least)</b> |   |

NOTE: For the **GENERAL EDUCATION** category, a minimum of 6.0 credits must be chosen from each of Humanities, Natural Science and Social Science. General Education courses are offered at the 1000 level. A maximum of 9 credits in Humanities and Social Science will count towards fulfillment of the General Education 21 credit requirements. For approved LA&PS General education courses go to [Approved LAPS General Education Courses](#)

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND RESOURCES**

For an online version of your degree requirements, use the **Degree Progress Report** found here: [www.registrar.yorku.ca/mydegreeprogress](http://www.registrar.yorku.ca/mydegreeprogress)

**PLEASE NOTE:** This manual Degree Checklist is **only a guide** designed to assist students with degree requirements and course selection. It is not intended as the official confirmation of a student's eligibility to graduate as requirements may change from year to year. Satisfaction of all degree requirements will be officially determined by the Registrar's Office upon application to graduate. Students are advised to make sure they are following the correct degree requirements by checking the Undergraduate Calendar of the year in which they entered their program.

**Academic Calendars:** [calendars.registrar.yorku.ca](http://calendars.registrar.yorku.ca)

**Academic Advising:** LAPS Student Academic Advising Services, 103 Central Square  
416-736-5222, [laps@yorku.ca](mailto:laps@yorku.ca)  
[LAPS Student Academic Advising Services](#)

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**Registration & Fees:** Student Client Services, Bennett Centre for Student Services  
(416) 872-YORK (9675)  
[www.yorku.ca/scsweb](http://www.yorku.ca/scsweb)

**Other resources:** [yustart.info.yorku.ca/all-resources-a-z](http://yustart.info.yorku.ca/all-resources-a-z)