



# PROGRAM PLANNING GUIDE

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## Bachelor of Arts

### General Major in the Social Sciences



A general major in the social sciences, unlike a single discipline major, allows you to customize your course selection to your interests and abilities. Where you compromise depth of focus in one area, you gain breadth of knowledge in a few key areas, thus increasing your flexibility. This multidisciplinary approach provides access to the “big picture” or the wider context of any subject area. Conversely, the courses you choose can enhance your focus, and provide a cross-discipline perspective on one particular theme.

#### What determines my program requirements?

Please refer to the Academic Calendar ([www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar)) for complete program information.

**Calendar Year:** 2025/2026 - Your calendar year is set to the academic year you are admitted (or readmitted) and you should follow the requirements for that year for the duration of your program.

**Faculty/School:** Faculty of Arts and Science ([www.ulethbridge.ca/artsci](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/artsci))

**Program(s):** Bachelor of Arts

**Major(s):** General Major in the Social Sciences

**Minor:** A defined set of courses, designed to provide depth in a particular discipline, study in an interdisciplinary area, or focus on a theme-related topic. To learn more about optional minors see [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/minors](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/minors).

#### Am I admissible to this program?

**Admission:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/undergrad](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/undergrad)

**Transfer:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/transfer-resources](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/transfer-resources)

#### When/How do I apply to the University?

**Deadlines:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/undergrad/deadlines](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/undergrad/deadlines)

**Step-by-Step:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/step-by-step](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/step-by-step)

#### Where can I find information on courses?

**Course Catalogue:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/courses](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/courses)

**Registration Guide:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/registration-guide](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/registration-guide)

#### When can I register for classes?

**Register early!** (March for Summer and Fall; November for Winter)

**Registration Dates:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/registration-dates](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/registration-dates)

#### How can I enhance my program?

**Career Bridge:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/career-bridge](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/career-bridge)

**Co-op Education:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/career-bridge/co-operative-education](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/career-bridge/co-operative-education)

**Honours Thesis:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/undergraduate-thesis](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/undergraduate-thesis)

**Double Major:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/double-major](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/double-major)

#### What supports are available to students?

**Student Services:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/campus-life/student-services](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/campus-life/student-services)

**Student Success Centre:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/student-success-centre](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/student-success-centre)

**Accessible Learning:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/alc](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/alc)

**Counselling Services:** [www.ulethbridge.ca/counselling](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/counselling)





# PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (2025/2026)

## Required courses and notes

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### Major Requirements (20 Courses)

Choose disciplinary streams from the following list:

- Anthropology - all courses
- Archaeology - all courses designated Social Science
- Economics - all courses designated Social Science
- Geography - all courses designated Social Science
- History - all courses
- Indigenous Studies - all courses (courses in Blackfoot and Cree may not be included)
- Kinesiology - all courses designated Social Science (Physical Activity courses may not be included)
- Political Science - all courses designated Social Science
- Psychology - all courses designated Social Science
- Sociology - all courses
- Women and Gender Studies - all courses designated Social Science

\_\_\_\_\_ **1.-5. First Disciplinary Stream:** \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **6.-10. Second Disciplinary Stream:** \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **11.-15. Third Disciplinary Stream:** \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **16.-19.** Four additional courses (12.0 credit hours) chosen from any of the Social Sciences disciplinary streams listed above

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **20. One of (Quantitative Methods):**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Economics 2900 - Economics and Business Statistics
- \_\_\_\_\_ Geography 2700 - Geographical Data and Analysis
- \_\_\_\_\_ Psychology 2030 - Thinking with Data I
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sociology 2130 - Quantitative Research Practice
- \_\_\_\_\_ Statistics 2780 - Statistical Inference

\_\_\_\_\_ **REQ.** Of the 20 courses (60.0 credit hours) required in the major, seven courses (21.0 credit hours) must be at the 3000/4000 level.

### Electives (20 Courses)

\_\_\_\_\_ **21.-40.** Twenty additional courses (60.0 credit hours) chosen to complete program requirements

- \_\_\_\_\_ 21. \_\_\_\_\_
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 39. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 40. \_\_\_\_\_

### Notes

To determine if a given course in a disciplinary stream has a Social Science designation, see **School of Liberal Education** in the 2025/2026 University of Lethbridge Calendar, [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar).

The Quantitative Methods courses have prerequisites which may or may not be included in the major.



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### Liberal Education List Requirement

Only four courses (12.0 credit hours) in total may be counted from any one discipline toward the Lib Ed Requirement. Disciplines are identified by separate course subject codes. Cross-listed courses count toward the limit for both disciplines (e.g. IGBM 3250/INDG 3250 counts toward the limit for Dhillon School of Business courses and Indigenous Studies).

Only four courses (12.0 credit hours) in total from the Faculty of Education (EDUC), Faculty of Health Sciences (ADCS, HLSC, INHL, NURS, PUBH, and TREC), and the Dhillon School of Business (ACCT, AGEM, FINC, GLBU, HRLR, IGBM, MGT, and MKTG) may be counted towards the Lib Ed Requirement.

To determine if a course has a Liberal Education designation, see School of Liberal Education in the 2025/2026 University of Lethbridge Undergraduate Calendar, [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar).

#### 1.-4. List I: Fine Arts and Humanities

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

#### 5.-8. List II: Social Science

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

#### 9.-12. List III: Science

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. \_\_\_\_\_

### General Requirements

- \_\_\_\_\_ A minimum of 40 courses (120.0 credit hours) with a GPA of at least 2.00.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A maximum of five Independent Study courses (15.0 credit hours) may be completed for credit towards the degree.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A maximum of five Disciplinary Credit Applied Studies courses (15.0 credit hours) may be completed for credit towards the degree. Students may, in addition, complete Applied Studies 2000, 2001, 2010, and 2011.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A maximum of 24 courses (72.0 credit hours) may be completed from any one discipline for credit towards the degree. Disciplines are identified by a specific course label (e.g. KNES, ASTR, and HIST are separate disciplines).
- \_\_\_\_\_ A maximum of 6.0 credit hours in Activity courses (i.e. courses labelled PHAC and MUSE) may be completed for credit towards the degree, except for Kinesiology majors (not more than 15.0 credit hours) and Music majors (not more than 12.0 credit hours).
- \_\_\_\_\_ A maximum of six courses (18.0 credit hours) from disciplines offered outside the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education may be completed for credit towards the degree (i.e. labelled ACCT, ADCS, AGEM, CDEV, CRED, EDUC, FINC, GLBU, HLSC, HRLR, IGBM, INHL, MGT, MKTG, NURS, PUBH, and TREC). Courses cross-listed between the Faculty of Arts and Science and another Faculty or School do not count towards this limit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Residence requirement: a minimum of 20 courses (60.0 credit hours) must be completed at the University of Lethbridge, including at least 10 courses (30.0 credit hours) from disciplines offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education at the 3000/4000 level. At least half of the courses required in the major must be completed at the University of Lethbridge.

A **maximum** of 12 courses (36.0 credit hours) may be completed at the 1000 level (or lower) for credit towards the degree, excluding Activity courses (labelled PHAC and MUSE) and courses numbered in the range of 0520 to 0530.

#### 1.-12. Introductory Course Limit

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A **minimum** of 15 courses (45.0 credit hours) from disciplines offered by the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts, or School of Liberal Education at the 3000/4000 level, excluding Activity courses (labelled PHAC and MUSE). Out-of-faculty courses (i.e. labelled ACCT, ADCS, AGEM, CDEV, CRED, EDUC, FINC, GLBU, HLSC, HRLR, IGBM, INHL, MGT, MKTG, NURS, PUBH, and TREC) will not meet this requirement.

#### 1.-15. Senior Course Requirement

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### Optional Minor:

For information about minors see **Minors** in the 2025/2026 University of Lethbridge Calendar, [www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar](http://www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar). Consult with an Academic Advisor if you wish to add a minor to your program.

#### 1.-6. Required Courses

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Shown below is the recommended sequence of courses for your degree. Consult timetables for course offerings, prerequisites, and corequisites before registering each term as some courses may have limited offerings (ie. once a year, alternating years, or only offered in the Fall or Winter terms).

Consult with an Academic Advisor in your faculty if you wish to alter this sequence with regard to the specifically listed courses.

**Note that this sequence was prepared based on course scheduling at the time of publication and may change during your studies.**

### First Year

- First Stream course
- First Stream course
- Second Stream course
- Second Stream course
- Third Stream course
- Lib Ed Requirement course
- Lib Ed Requirement course
- Lib Ed Requirement course
- Lib Ed Requirement course
- Lib Ed Requirement course

### Second Year

- First Stream course
- Second Stream course
- Third Stream course
- Social Science elective
- Quantitative Methodology course
- Lib Ed Requirement course
- Lib Ed Requirement course
- Lib Ed Requirement course
- Elective
- Elective

### Third Year

- First Stream course 3000/4000 level
- Second Stream course 3000/4000 level
- Third Stream course
- Social Science elective
- Social Science elective 3000/4000 level
- Elective 3000/4000 level
- Elective 3000/4000 level
- Elective 3000/4000 level
- Elective
- Elective

### Fourth Year

- First Stream course 3000/4000 level
- Second Stream course 3000/4000 level
- Third Stream course
- Third Stream course 3000/4000 level
- Social Science elective 3000/4000 level
- Elective 3000/4000 level
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**Note:** Students should ensure that prerequisites for senior courses in their chosen disciplinary streams are completed in the first two years. Please consult the current Calendar or Timetable and Registration Guide for prerequisites.