

II. Introduction

With over 10,000 students, Atkinson has a long and proud tradition of providing university education to students of all ages, preparing them for rewarding careers, helping in career changes and enhancement, and providing intellectual challenge and excitement. At Atkinson we strive to accommodate the needs of our students with innovative and flexible learning opportunities, and responsive student services.

As an Atkinson student, you are affiliated with a specific academic school/department based upon your major program of study. This affiliation enables you to be part of a dynamic community of educators and students, as well as to access a range of program-specific student services. You can find details about your school/department as well as a listing of all Atkinson general education and program requirements, academic regulations and courses in this calendar as well as at the Atkinson Web site (www.atkinson.yorku.ca).

Atkinson takes a unique approach to university education. All the professional studies have a liberal arts component, and liberal arts students can easily complement their degree with professional studies courses and certificates. At the same time, providing flexible learning opportunities is central to Atkinson's mission. Atkinson offers a range of programs in the evening, daytime and on weekends, off-campus and through distributed learning courses (including Internet, mixed-mode and correspondence). Atkinson makes it possible for students to fit university studies into today's busy lifestyles.

About York University

York University, known for its pioneering innovation in postsecondary education, is one of Canada's truly remarkable success stories. At York, faculty and students work together, focused on discovery, new ways of learning and ways of applying knowledge that will significantly enhance our students' and faculty's ability to build their own paths to success in their chosen fields.

Since the University was founded in 1959, York faculty members have worked hard to ensure that they share their research findings with their students and the broader community.

Excellence in teaching, renowned academic scholarship and high quality, interdisciplinary research programs are three reasons why top scholars from across Canada and around the world come to study and work at York University.

York University is known for its interdisciplinary approach to research and scholarship. We are home to 21 research centres covering a wide spectrum of interests from Applied Sustainability and Work and Society, to Earth and Space Science and Refugee Studies.

York is a community of 3,000 full- and part-time faculty, 1,900 staff, 43,000 undergraduate and graduate students and 168,000 alumni. The University graduates more than 7,000 students annually from the Faculties of Arts, Atkinson Faculty of Liberal and Professional Studies, Education, Environmental Studies, Fine Arts, Glendon College, Graduate Studies, Osgoode Hall Law School, Pure and Applied Science and Schulich School of Business.

With its combination of dedicated and talented faculty, opportunities for bright and ambitious students, dynamic curriculum and modern campus set in the heart of one of North America's most influential urban centres, York University is setting the modern standard for innovation and academic excellence.

Important Notice and Disclaimer

This Calendar is intended to assist readers to understand the academic and administrative structure and policies and procedures of the University, and to describe the academic programs offered. The material has been submitted by academic units and administrative departments. All general information and course references have been checked for accuracy, but there may be inconsistencies or errors. By the act of registration each

student becomes bound by the policies and regulations of York University, including the Faculty in which the student is registered. Students are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the general information, rules and regulations contained in the Calendar, and with the specific information, rules and regulations of the Faculty or Faculties in which they are registered or enrolled or seek registration or enrolment, as well as the specific requirements of each degree, diploma or certificate sought. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that the courses chosen are appropriate to the program requirements.

York reserves the right to make changes in the information contained in the Calendar without prior notice. Not every course listed in the Calendar will necessarily be offered in any academic year. York reserves the right to limit the number of students who enrol in any program or course. While reasonable efforts will be made to offer courses as required within programs, admission to a program does not guarantee admission to any given course.

If there is an inconsistency between the general academic regulations and policies published in the Calendar and such regulations and policies as established by resolution of a Faculty or of the University Senate, the version of such material as it is established by a Faculty or the University Senate will prevail.

York University disclaims all responsibility and liability for loss or damage suffered or incurred by any student or other party as a result of delays in or termination of its services, courses, or classes by reason of force majeure, fire, flood, riots, war, strikes, lock-outs, damage to University property, financial exigency or other events beyond the reasonable control of the University.

York University disclaims any and all liability for damages arising as a result of errors, interruptions or disruptions to operations or connected with its operations or its campuses, arising out of computer failure or non-compliance of its computing systems.

Registration and Fees

The Senate, the Board of Governors and the Administration of York University reserve the right to make changes in both the fees and regulations given in this Calendar, without prior notice.

All students, whether newly admitted, returning or continuing, must formally enrol in their courses.

Once you have selected and enrolled in courses, the next major step is to register. Registration is the process by which you become listed on the official student records of the University.

In order to register, you must: (i) pay all outstanding financial liabilities owing to the University; (ii) enrol in a program of study for which you are eligible and in courses to which you are entitled; (iii) pay your current academic fees.

Please note: For complete information on enrolment using York University's registration and enrolment system consult the most recent Undergraduate Lecture Schedule published by the Office of the Registrar.

Student Card

Two separate pieces of identification comprise the University's official identification: the University Sessional Identification Card, which is issued to every registered student each academic session and a valid piece of photo-bearing identification, e.g. photo-bearing piece of identification normally accepted by or issued by the government of Canada or Ontario (e.g. Canadian driver's licence). For further information, see the Undergraduate Lecture Schedule.

Information on the Web

Detailed information for Atkinson students on academic advising, degree requirements, programs of study, course outlines and student services is available on the Atkinson Web site, www.atkinson.yorku.ca/.

Faculty of Education

The Faculty of Education offers the opportunity of working concurrently toward a BA, BFA, BES or BSc and toward a BEd. As well, individuals may enrol in the BEd program on a consecutive basis following completion of the first academic degree. Further information is available on the Faculty of Education Web site, www.edu.yorku.ca/. For information about the programs offered by Faculties of York other than Atkinson, please consult the York University Undergraduate Programs Calendar, available at www.registrar.yorku.ca/.
