# Bachelor of Arts Framework

Faculty of Social Sciences	
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IMPLEMENTATION DATE	START DATE(S)
01-Sep-2011	September January May
ADMISSION TYPE	ENROLMENT TYPE
Selective entry	Open access
PROGRAM TYPE	CREDENTIAL GRANTED
Undergraduate	Baccalaureate Degree
OFFERED AT	FORMAT
Langley Richmond Surrey	Full-time Part-time
HOW TO APPLY	
www.kwantlen.ca/admission	

# DESCRIPTION

Kwantlen's Bachelor of Arts Degree programs offer an integrated educational experience that helps students develop an appreciation for the relationships among personal, societal, and global well-being, and the personal implications for such issues as the basis of ethical judgment, social diversity, and the expectations of social responsibility. Students will develop skills to apply effective research, writing, and oral skills to problem-solve and develop into innovative, critical and creative thinkers.

Students can create a Bachelor of Arts Degree from a variety of majors and minors that meet their specific interests and goals, and which will prepare them for a wide range of careers after graduation. All BA Degree students will gain valuable skills that are required in today's changing labour market including communication skills, critical thinking skills, research skills, problem-solving skills, personal management skills and time management skills.

Students may complete a Bachelor of Arts degree with the following majors/areas:

- Anthropology
- Asian Studies
- Creative Writing
- Criminology (also: Honours)
- Double Minor
- English

- General Studies
- History
- Philosophy (also: Honours)
- Policy Studies
- Psychology (also: Honours)
- Sociology

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Bachelor of Arts degree will develop students with key essential skills sought by employers such as critical thinking, quantitative and logical skills, global and cultural awareness, and oral and written communication skills. The versatility of the Bachelor of Arts degree will allow students to design programs of study that will prepare them for careers or further study in areas such as the following:

- Business
- Community service
- Law
- Policing
- Primary and secondary education
- Professional writing
- Public administration
- Public planning
- Religious studies
- Social Work

# PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to Kwantlen's General university admission requirements, including the undergraduate-level English Proficiency Requirement, the following program admission requirements apply:

#### YEAR ONE ADMISSION:

- Grade of 'B' in English 12 (or equivalent)
- Grade of 'C' in either Principles of Math 11 (or equivalent) or Applications of Math 12 (or equivalent).

#### YEAR THREE ADMISSION:

- 60 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.00 (including all 1100- and 2000-level major/minor program requirements).
- Grade of 'C' in all required 1000-and 2000-level courses, including the English writing requirement (ENGL 1100 and one of either ENGL 1202 or 1204, or equivalent).
- Two Quantitative courses.
- 12 credits of breadth courses
- Grade of 'C' in either Principles of Math 11 (or equivalent) or Applications of Math 12 (or equivalent).
- Second language at the Grade 11 level or 6 credits
  of post-secondary language courses in the same
  language. Note: Students need only achieve a
  passing grade to fulfill this requirement. Beginner's
  or Introductory Language 11 courses are ineligible
  to meet this requirement. Students who can
  demonstrate competency in a second language may
  request an assessment to have this requirement
  waived.

## **QUALIFYING YEAR**

Students who do not qualify upon initial application to Kwantlen may be eligible for entry to the Qualifying Year. Students who possess at least a 'C' in English 12 (or equivalent) and a passing grade in Principles of Math 11 (or equivalent) or Applications of Math 12 will be able to apply for entry to the BA Qualifying Year. Students will be admitted to the BA program in the second year provided they have successfully completed appropriate qualifying courses. Other applicants who do not qualify are encouraged to consult an Educational Advisor for the appropriate qualifying courses that satisfy the application criteria.

## CONTINUANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 60 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.00 (including all 1100- and 2000-level major/minor program requirements).
- Grade of 'C' in all required 1000-and 2000-level courses, including the English writing requirement (ENGL 1100 and one of either ENGL 1202 or 1204, or equivalent).
- Two Quantitative courses.
- 12 credits of breadth courses
- Second language at the Grade 11 level or 6 credits of post-secondary language courses in the same language. Note: Students need only achieve a passing grade to fulfill this requirement. Beginner's or Introductory Language 11 courses are ineligible

to meet this requirement. Students who can demonstrate competency in a second language may request an assessment to have this requirement waived.

# CONTENT

The following core requirements are to be completed for all Bachelor of Arts Degree Programs:

- Complete a total of 120 credits which includes:
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 with a minimum grade of "C" in all of the following required courses within the degree program (except where stated):

Other completed courses may qualify to meet degree requirements. Students are encouraged to contact a BA Degree Advisor with questions about eligibility for program application or graduation.

In addition to completing the core requirements of all Kwantlen Bachelor of Arts degree programs indicated above, students will have to complete additional course and program requirements according to their chosen program of study within the Faculty of Arts, Social Sciences and the Faculty of Arts, Humanities.

Students are normally expected to complete at least 60 credits at Kwantlen Polytechnic University for a B.A. degree; however, they may make a request for an exemption to this ruling on an individual basis through Enrolment Services. If such an exemption is granted, then residency may be limited to no fewer than 30 credits. In any case, at least 50% of the required upper level credits within the subject area must be completed at Kwantlen. For the BA in General Studies, the subject area includes all 45 upper level credits.

#### GRADUATION

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Arts** in their chosen major program, in General Studies, or with a Double Minor. Students may have the option of adding a Minor to their credential by completing any of the BA Minor options at Kwantlen..