

GENERAL STUDIES

The objective of the General Studies program is to provide mature students with the opportunity to take university courses before registering in a specific degree program or to take university courses for continued learning with no immediate intention of registering in a degree program. The General Studies program does not lead towards a specific undergraduate degree at the University of Guelph.

Academic Counselling

General Studies students can obtain counselling for selecting courses, and planning their future program from the B.A.S. Counselling Office located in Room 128A MacKinnon Building. Prospective students should contact the Admissions Section of the Office of Registrarial Services.

Financial Assistance

Students registered in 3 or more courses of the General Studies program may be eligible to apply to the Ontario Student Assistance Program (<https://www.ontario.ca/page/osap-ontario-student-assistance-program/>) (OSAP) if an Ontario resident. Students who are residents of other provinces must apply to their home province for financial assistance. General Studies students may be eligible to apply for OSAP assistance for a maximum of two semesters. General Studies students who transfer to a degree program may continue to apply for OSAP.

Schedule of Studies

1. Students may take any undergraduate course offered by the University, as long as any stated prerequisites are met or the approval of the instructor is obtained.
2. Students may take Associate Diploma courses with the approval of the Director of the Associate Diploma program.
3. Students will not normally be eligible to continue in the General Studies program after enrolment in 20 courses.
4. The grade assigned for each course will become part of the student's University academic record.
5. Students who register in the General Studies program and who subsequently apply for transfer to a degree or diploma program, will be required to meet admission requirements for that program, and credit granted for courses taken in the General Studies program will be subject to the regulations pertaining to that program.

Tuition Fees

Students are advised to refer to Chapter VI - Schedule of Fees of the Undergraduate Calendar.

Undergraduate Regulations

Students are referred to Chapter VIII - Undergraduate Degree Regulations for additional information regarding registration, course selection, withdrawal from study, continuation of study, examination policy and requests for academic consideration.