



# BEING A YORK STUDENT

Maddy chose York for its desirable Toronto location, multicultural environment and extensive course offerings.

"York really gave me the freedom to pursue all of my passions, allowing me to take an interdisciplinary approach to my studies," she says. "I love that I can combine all of my passions and interests into one major."

As an international student, she especially appreciated the welcoming vibe of the large, beautiful and diverse campus.

"One of the most profound parts of York, in my opinion, is that it gives you the experience to be a well-rounded world citizen, which is necessary in this globalized 21st century."

After graduation, Maddy plans to continue her education here at York by attending graduate school.

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# Welcome to York



As our closest neighbour, the United States plays an integral role in life in Canada and at York. Since our countries are so closely tied, York maintains excellent relationships with a number of American academic institutions. Our connections with the United States range from arts and academics to business, environmental and beyond. York welcomes American students to its multicultural community.

York University is Canada's leading interdisciplinary teaching and research university, offering a modern academic experience at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in Toronto – Canada's financial hub and most international city. York's Keele campus is a self-contained community and a global centre for research and information. The Glendon campus, on the other hand, is the only fully integrated bilingual campus of its kind in Canada, where students take courses in English and French and often learn a third language. York's vibrant, safe communities achieve a perfect balance of academic and extracurricular activities, creating a welcoming environment that beckons students from all over the world.

# YORK OFFERS THE BEST OF CANADA



## CALLING CANADA HOME

Thanks to our shared borders and economies, Americans find themselves right at home in Canada – in fact, as many as one million US citizens are estimated to be living in Canada, with more than 106,000 in Ontario alone.

## CAREERS IN CANADA

Due to our countries' close ties, York graduates from the US easily find jobs in Canada. Graduates have access to Canada's increasing job opportunities, competitive wages, excellent living standards and employers that excel in industries like aerospace, business, digital media, manufacturing, health care and renewable energy. International students can work on and off campus during their studies and for up to three years after graduating by securing a work permit.



York University recognizes the importance of understanding the United States and its relationship to Canada and the rest of the world. And when it comes to the United States, our academic connections run deep.

## RESEARCH & INNOVATION WORLDWIDE

York's connections with the United States are vast and varied. For example, 766 York professors hold degrees from the United States and more than 25 York professors are conducting research throughout the USA on topics ranging from history and business to social sciences and equity studies.

### RESEARCH IN THE UNITED STATES

- Glendon history professor Yukari Takai is researching Japanese transmigration first to Canada, then across the Canada-United States border, between 1882 and 1941.
- Osgoode Hall Law School tax professor Neil Brooks co-authored a book that explored the social and political dangers of the growing income inequality in the US, as well as in Britain and Canada.
- York's Centre for Vision Research is working with MIT scientists to find ways to combat the disorientation experienced by astronauts in zero-gravity environments.
- Physics and astronomy professor John Caldwell worked with the NASA Ames Research Center to develop a mission known as Kepler, with the goal of discovering Earth-like planets around other stars.

### CONNECTIONS AT YORK

- York students pursuing their Juris Doctor diploma at Osgoode Hall Law School can participate in an exchange with NYU during their last two years of study.
- York maintains academic ties with Bridgewater State College, Ithaca, Yale, the State University of New York at Plattsburgh, Smiths College, Tufts University & Wellesley College.
- Political science professor Stephen Newman, an expert on US law and politics, was a member of York's delegation to the Montréal Roundtable on U.S. Studies, sponsored by the Foundation for Educational Exchange between Canada and the USA.

## YORK FACTS

305 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS FROM THE UNITED STATES.  
4,302 YORK ALUMNI WORLDWIDE FROM THE UNITED STATES.  
300+ STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS, RANGING FROM CULTURAL AND POLITICAL TO CHARITABLE, ENVIRONMENTAL AND SPIRITUAL. ATHLETIC CLUBS INCLUDE AN ACTIVE INTRAMURAL SPORTS LEAGUE, RECREATIONAL SPORTS CLUBS AND BOTH MEN'S AND WOMEN'S VARSITY TEAMS IN 10 DIFFERENT SPORTS.

Students get hands-on research experience through York's iRAY program, which gives students paid positions assisting Canada's top researchers on campus.





# YOUR CAREER STARTS AT YORK

## YORK OFFERS PAID INTERNSHIPS

York's internship programs provide students with hands-on work experience with some of Canada's top employers. Students earn a salary, explore potential career options and build a valuable network of industry contacts. Students in our Technology Internship Program, for example, earn an average of \$38,000 in a 12-month term.

## CONNECTING STUDENTS WITH JOBS AND EMPLOYERS

Last year, York's Career Centre posted 8,500+ employment opportunities with companies across Canada. Top employers also visit campus to connect with students at fairs, panels and other events. For students needing help with interviewing or resume-writing skills, there are more than 325 skills workshops offered throughout the year, in addition to private assistance options.

## INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE IS JUST THE START

Students can take part in York's International Internship Program, get work experience in a new country and receive \$3,000 from York to help get there. Alternatively, they can take one of our international degree programs, requiring a year of study abroad, to lay the groundwork for a global career.



## ACADEMIC STRENGTHS

York offers exceptional programs in fine arts, liberal arts, engineering, humanities, business, science, law, social sciences and the environment.

Students can earn York's prestigious degrees in Business Administration or Administrative Studies from the highly ranked Schulich School of Business, or study liberal arts in multiple languages at York's intimate Glendon campus, which is set on the lush parkland of the historic Wood family estate.

Alternatively, students can work towards a degree in fine arts in York's state-of-the-art facilities, in one of North America's largest, most interdisciplinary schools for the visual and performing arts.

Study dance, design, film, music, theatre and more, from working artists and scholars, in York's impressive 330,000-sq ft. performing arts complex.

## YORK'S COMMITMENTS

York is committed to academic excellence, student engagement and increasing international student presence on campus. York recognizes the unique opportunities and partnerships that are made possible because of its location within a dynamic metropolitan and multicultural environment.

## INTERNATIONAL DEGREES

Offering 100+ exchange agreements with more than 100 universities worldwide, and more than 30 programs with an international component (such as an internship abroad), York students earn degrees that are recognized globally. By graduation, students are prepared for international success. The numbers say it all: six months after graduation, 92 per cent of York graduates are employed.

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To learn more about York University's programs, admission requirements, tuition, scholarship offerings, residence options and more, visit York's Future Students website at: [futurestudents.yorku.ca](http://futurestudents.yorku.ca)



**JOIN A COMMUNITY OF PROFESSORS, RESEARCHERS AND LEARNERS. YOUR SUCCESS IS OUR PASSION.**

# FOSTERING STUDENT SUCCESS

## SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

York International, our friendly and welcoming central office for international students, offers orientation, information sessions, social activities, job search assistance and mentors for new students.

York's Learning Skills program helps students improve their time management, note-taking and essay-writing abilities, while the Learning Commons provides additional skills training in one easy-to-access campus location. Students requiring language support can turn to the English as a Second Language Open Learning Centre for help.

## A SAFE, SECURE CAMPUS

At York, we take the safety of our students seriously. Our Security Services department works with community partners to develop a holistic approach to safety for our campus community.

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

York awarded more than \$4.7 million (Canadian Dollars) in financial assistance to international students in 2011-2012. International Entrance Scholarships range from \$500 to \$100,000, and help support the needs of our international students while also encouraging their academic success.



**York University values diversity and is committed to promoting a culture of mutual respect and inclusivity on campus.**

## DIVERSITY ON CAMPUS

### MULTICULTURALISM

York University is part of Toronto, a city where 100+ languages are spoken and half of the population was born outside of Canada. York students come from 180 countries worldwide and their diversity is celebrated during Multicultural Week, an annual event showcasing 60 student cultural groups through stage performances, informative displays and food tastings.

### RELIGIOUS SPACES ON CAMPUS

The Scott Religious Centre provides a welcoming chapel for religious services and a peaceful meditation room for individual introspection and quiet prayer. It also provides office space for many of the faith-based student clubs.



### RELIGIOUS STUDENT GROUPS ON CAMPUS

York respects the rights of the many faiths represented in our student body and has numerous student-run religious organizations that are active on campus. Such groups include:

- Christian Students at York
- Youth Interfaith Council
- Muslim Students Association
- Sikh Students Association

York University is committed to respecting the religious beliefs and practices of all members of its community and making accommodations for observances of special significance to adherents.

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