

Languages, Literatures and Cultures

The world can seem like a big place, but through the LLCU major, students will get a glimpse into how small and connected it really is and be able to engage with intercultural sensitivity and a palette of relevant skills. Through this program, students can learn a minimum of two languages from over 14 languages taught at Queen's, understanding not only their linguistic structures but the cultures in which they are formed. Learning another language provides students with the ability to step inside the mind and context of that culture and to better understand their own.

TOP 5 REASONS to study LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND CULTURES

- 1 Courses emphasize critical thinking and expression about cultural topics and the nature of language.
- 2 Interact closely with professors in class and during our many events held throughout the year.
- 3 An understanding of languages and cultures gives students a multicultural perspective on the world.
- 4 Students have the opportunity to go abroad and immerse themselves in foreign languages and cultures.
- 5 Students graduate with increased intercultural sensitivity and a palette of relevant skills.

Alumni Story

"My degree in Languages at Queen's University has been a springboard for me into a world of international opportunities"

-Helen Kneale, BAH '09

TOP ALUMNI JOBS

5% of alumni work in **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING & CONSULTING**

8% of alumni work in **BANKING & INVESTMENT**

10% of alumni work in **GOVERNMENT**

40% of alumni work in **EDUCATION**

2023-24 Plan Thresholds

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit quartsci.com/planselection

Interested in finding out how to augment your degree with Experiential Learning? Learn what opportunities and resources are available for you on the [Experiential Learning website](#). You can also reach out to the team directly at asc.el@queensu.ca.

add a **CERTIFICATE**

Data Analytics

Disability and Physical Activity

Employment Relations

Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Creativity

French for Professionals

Geographic Information Science

Global Action and Engagement

Indigenous Languages and Cultures

International Studies

Media Studies

Sexual and Gender Diversity

Urban Planning Studies

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Acquire Skills. Gain Experience. Go Global.

That is a degree from Queen's.

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Languages, Literatures and Cultures MAJOR MAP



BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS): MAJOR

1ST YEAR

2ND YEAR

3RD YEAR

4TH OR FINAL YEAR

GET THE COURSES YOU NEED

Start with LLCU 111/3.0: Introduction to Cultures. Pick up beginner language courses for the language requirement - choose from 14 languages at Queen's!
Attend [Majors Night](#) in the Winter term to learn more about Plan options. Visit [SASS \(Student Academic Support Services\)](#) and the Writing Centre for some help.
Interested in getting a head start in learning and working in a digital world? Take [ASCX 150](#) and develop future-ready skills!

Complete LLCU 203/3.0: Cultural Anthropology. Choose your LLCU option courses at 200-level and pick up another language. Consider a minor and/or certificate such as [Indigenous Languages and Cultures](#). Learn more about [Certificates](#) and [Internship](#) options.
Develop your entrepreneurial skills by participating in the [Dean's Changemaker Challenge](#) (ASCX 200/300).

Take LLCU 303: Applied Intercultural Communication to complete your core courses. Finish language requirement. Choose option courses at 300-level.
Meet with an [Academic Advisor](#) to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for next year.

Take LLCU 403: Stories that Matter: Connecting Languages, Literatures and Cultures, and make sure to finish up all your courses for your major and your optional minor and/or certificate(s).
In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to [Graduate School](#) or to your future career path.
Interested in working on a real-world problem with an actual client? Take [ASCX 400](#) and develop your consulting and project-management skills.

GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Join teams or clubs on campus such as [Great Panda Society](#), [Queen's Hillel](#), [Japanese Relations at Queen's](#), [Queen's Native Student Association](#), or [Organization of Latin American Students at Queen's](#). See the [AMS Clubs Directory](#) or the [Queen's Get Involved](#) page for more ideas. Join [English Conversation Program](#) (QUIC).

Take more responsibility within different clubs. Think about applying to positions at the [AMS](#). Look into summer jobs by talking to the Department or Career Services about work through [SWEP](#) or [Work-Study](#). Consider entrepreneurial opportunities via programs like the [Queen's Innovation Centre Summer Initiative](#) (QICSI).

If interested, apply for an [Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowship \(USSRF\)](#).
Consider applying to do a 12-16 month [QUIP internship](#) between your third and fourth year.

Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest. Participate in a conference such as at [Inquiry@Queen's](#).
Assess what experience you're lacking and fill with volunteering, clubs, or internships - check out the Career Services skills [workshop](#) for help.

GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY

Volunteer on- or off-campus with different community organizations like the [Queen's International Affairs Association](#), [Providence Care Volunteer Club](#), [Italo-Canadian Club of Kingston](#), or [United Way](#).
Join the [Portuguese Cultural Centre of Kingston](#) or the [Kingston Ontario Arab Community](#).

Get involved in the Departmental Student Council (DSC). Go to events like LLCU's Film Nights. Connect with the Queen's Strathy Language Unit or [Four Directions](#) to explore their projects and programming. Volunteer with organizations such as [Teachers of English as a Second Language in Kingston and Area](#), [Kingston Literacy & Skills](#), [Immigration Services Kingston and Area \(ISKA\)](#).

Do targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group [Queen's Connects](#).
Consider participating in a research conference such as the [Annual Western Interdisciplinary Student Symposium on Language Research](#).

Consider joining professional associations like [The Association of Translators and Interpreters of Ontario](#), [The Canadian Association of Second Language Teachers](#), [The Canadian Communication Association](#).

GET THINKING GLOBALLY

Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking [QUIC's Intercultural Awareness Certificate](#). Research possible immigration regulations.
Speak to a QUIC advisor to get involved in their programs, events, and training opportunities.

Want to immerse yourself in your language of study? Start thinking about where you would like to [study abroad](#). Apply in January for a third year exchange through [the International Programs Office](#).

Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your [language skills](#).
Apply for the [Semester in Shanghai program](#) at Fudan University.

Start thinking about work or further studies abroad, such as [North American Language and Culture Assistants](#) in Spain or [Foreign Language Assistant](#) in Germany.

GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

Grappling with program decisions? Go to [Majors Night](#) or get some help exploring career options from Career Services.
Build your transferable skills in time management, problem-solving, writing, and more with [Student Academic Success Services](#).

Explore different careers of interest in the Career Services Information Area. For more information check out [Career Cruising](#) or find and connect with alumni on [LinkedIn](#).
Check out the Faculty's [Experiential Learning](#) webpage for info about hands-on learning.

Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get [help thinking about Grad School](#) from Career Services.

Apply to jobs or future education, or make plans for other adventures. Get help from Career Services with [job searching, resumes, interviews, Grad School applications](#), or other decisions.
Apply for the [Queen's Career Apprenticeship: Kingston \(QCA:K\)](#).

CONSIDER A 12-16 MONTH QUIP INTERNSHIP

CONSIDER A 12 MONTH QCA:K APPRENTICESHIP

What will I learn?

A degree in LLCU can equip you with:

- Knowledge of different cultures and an awareness of the limits to your own cultural perspective
- Ability to engage in an informed and respectful way with people from other cultures
- Fluency in a second language or intermediate knowledge of two different languages
- Oral and written communication to write essays and present information to a group
- Ability to conduct independent research, also in a second language, to draw out relevant facts and ideas
- Attention to detail to write in a foreign language and translate between languages without errors
- Resource and time management

Where can I go?

A degree in LLCU can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master's. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Communication
- Counseling
- Cross-cultural consulting
- Education
- Hospitality and tourism
- Human Resources Advising
- Immigration Services
- Policy analysis
- Public relations
- Social Services

Taking time to explore career options, build experience, and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

How to use this map

Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions - you don't have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the [My Major Map](#) tool.

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Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen's, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen's wants you to succeed! Check out the [Student Affairs website](#) for available resources.



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QUIP QUEEN'S UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

START DATES
in May, September,
or January

POSITIONS
are paid and
full-time

WORK TERMS
are 12-16 months
long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Graduate with a "Professional Internship" degree
- Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry.
- Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get real world experience.

ELIGIBILITY

- 2nd or 3rd Year Students
- Minimum GPA of 1.9

WHY QUIP?

- Gain a year of career-related work experience.
- Build network connections.
- Receive support from Queen's staff in job search and during internship.

SAMPLE PAST INTERNSHIPS



For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the [Program Website](#).

Why study in Kingston?

For 175 years, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen's has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen's has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen's – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

We're closer than you think

