

Program Planning Guide

Bachelor of Arts: First Nations Studies

YOUR COURSE PLANNING: This worksheet has been created as a guide for admitted students. Note, your course planning may look different than another student; this worksheet has been designed for students wishing to complete their program within a four-year timeline. Students may elect to take part-time studies or a reduced course load. Refer to the [Undergraduate Academic Regulations](#) within the Undergraduate Calendar for more information.

For requirements that have a “pick list” (i.e. *choose one of*) please visit the Undergraduate Calendar to see a detailed list. The list or requirements may change, so please ensure you follow the appropriate requirements (the 2024-2025 Undergraduate Calendar). After July 1, 2024, you can find the calendar in a [PDF format](#).

100/200 Level Requirements			
Requirements	Credit Hours	Course Selected	Done
FNST 100	3		
One FNST Language or Culture Course (off List)	3		
FNST 200	3		
FNST Any Level Requirement			
FNST or approved ancillary courses at any level	3		
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300/400 Level Requirement			
FNST 300	3		
FNST 440	3		
FNST upper division	3		
	3		
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	3		

Electives			
Requirements	Credit Hours	Course Selected	Done
Electives (at any level)	3		
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Academic Breadth Requirement			
Natural Science	3		
Physical Science	3		
Arts & Humanities	3		

ACADEMIC BREADTH REQUIREMENT: As a part of this program, students will have satisfied their Arts and Humanities breadth requirement (with the required ENGL courses). As such, please take a three-credit course in each of the following areas: Natural Sciences, Physical Science and Arts, and Humanities to meet the academic breadth requirement. Check out www.unbc.ca/advising for more information on this requirement.

UNDERGRADUATE CALENDAR: It is the student’s responsibility to be aware of all University of Northern British Columbia [Undergraduate Calendar](#) regulations. Academic regulations, program information, course information, and pre-requisites can be found in this document.

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2024

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Sample Sequencing Plan

First Year	
Fall	Winter
FNST 100	Elective or FNST 100 (if not already complete)
Culture or Language course (off list)	Elective or Culture/Language (if not already complete)
Elective (for academic breadth)	Elective (for academic breadth)
Elective (for academic breadth)	Elective
Elective	Elective

This is a guide only; coursework will vary each year according to the semester that certain courses are offered. It will be important to check in with your Student Advisor with regard to course progression.

Advisor Notes

COURSE PLANNING: For your first year of study, the recommended courses are listed above. After that, students should utilize their Academic Calendar along with their [Degree Evaluation](#), a tool that interprets the Undergraduate Calendar for the year that you were admitted and helps display the requirements needed for your program. You can also always connect with your Student Advisor for help with course planning. Students should consult the Undergraduate Calendar for course descriptions and pre/co-requisites, www.unbc.ca/calendar.

TIME LIMIT: Except by permission of the Dean, students must complete their undergraduate degree program within 15 years of their first semester of registration.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: Students must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours of upper division UNBC coursework to receive a UNBC degree. Note: required FNST upper division coursework will not meet this requirement so you will need to plan to take UD “any level courses” or electives at UNBC

TRANSFER & RETURNING STUDENTS: Please consult with your Student Advisor to determine how your previous work may best be applied to the program requirements. When registering for coursework pay close attention to the course preclusions to ensure you are not registering in duplicate coursework.

DOUBLE MAJORS: Students who are considering a double major should speak with their Student Advisor as soon as possible.

MINORS: To see available minors, please refer to the [Declaration of Minor form](#) or look in the Program pages of the [Undergraduate Calendar](#). Minors are a structured way to use your electives while also completing a secondary concentration.

ELECTIVES: Your first year is structured to have lots of opportunity to explore with electives! We encourage students to take a wide variety of courses they are interested in. A minor is a great way to concentrate your electives. Talk with your Student Advisor for suggestions!

ONLINE RESOURCES: Be sure to check out www.unbc.ca/advising for videos and resources on a variety of helpful topics such as registration 101, Academic Difficulties, Resources and Supports on campus and more!

STUDENT ADVISING: Is available by phone, zoom, email, or in person. To book an appointment, or to see when drop-ins are scheduled, please visit: www.unbc.ca/advising or contact advising@unbc.ca/call 250.960.6306.

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