



BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHILD AND YOUTH CARE
Elective requirements

In the CYC degree, students are required to take a total of 24 elective credits, including 6 credits of UT English.

- 9 credits during the diploma, including 3 credits of UT English
15 credits during the degree, including 3 credits of UT English
Within the diploma, a maximum 6 UT elective credits can be taken within the FACS (formerly CFCS) programs.

We asked current students to tell us which electives they took that they found engaging, interesting, and/or beneficial to their studies (student preferences indicated as ***). Then we asked CYC faculty too. Below are their recommendations. We purposefully left out most FACS courses such that you look to other faculties to pursue your electives!

Table with 3 columns: Applied Community Studies, Commerce and Business, Modern Languages, Humanities and Social Science, Language, Literature and Performing Arts, Science & Technology. It lists various course codes and titles such as PSYC 1100, MARK 1120, MODL 1101, etc.

SOCI 1155- Social Issues PHIL 1102- Values and Contemporary Issues PHIL 1121- Medical Ethics PHIL 1180- Philosophy of Love PHIL 2220- Philosophy of Education POLI 1102- Intro to Canadian Government ANTH 1100- Intro to Social and Cultural Anthropology ANTH 1120- Indigenous Cultures of British Columbia ANTH 2193- Ethnographic Field Studies CRIM 1100- Intro to the Criminal Justice System CRIM 1101- Comparative Justice Systems CRIM 1121- Historical Perspectives in Criminal Justice	CMNS 1104- Foundations of Intercultural Communication GSWS 1100- Introduction to Feminisms: Silences, Voices and Experiences GSWS 1102- Introduction to Contemporary Issues in Sexuality Studies	SPCS 2292- Intro to the Administration and Management of Sport, Recreation, and Leisure Services EAES 1201- Global Environmental Change CHEM 1100- The Chemistry of Cooking ASTR 1105- Intro to Astronomy
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Electives must be university transferable (UT). A course is considered university-transferable (UT) if it transfers to at least one of British Columbia's five research universities (UBC, UBC-Okanagan, SFU, University of Victoria, or University of Northern British Columbia). Always check the [BC Transfer Guide](#) for each course's UT status.

Students may contact the CYC Program Advisor at cyc@douglascollege.ca or [Student Success Advising](#) to determine if a course will be acceptable towards CYC.

*Students may elect to take online courses through other public postsecondary institutions, including Thompson Rivers University or Athabasca University. Please confirm with a Student Success Advisor that the courses will be equivalent, just as you would pursue equivalency through the transfer office for any elective credit you've brought into your degree from another post secondary institution.

*If you are planning to apply to a teacher post-degree (PLP, PDP) or graduate degree program, please check with those programs to ensure you are meeting their current required (or recommended) electives to meet their entry requirements.

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Child Protection Degree Specialization

Required courses	Credits
CFCS 1260- Continuum of Substance Use	3
CYCC 2211- The Professional Community: Policies, Standards, Legislation and Children	3
CYCC 2460- Family Violence and Abuse	3
DACS 5111- Disability in Context	3
CYCC 3350- Practice in Child Protection	3

The Douglas College CYC program offers a Child Protection (CP) Degree Specialization. Approved Child Protection sites include: Ministry of Children and Family Development Child Welfare offices in Child Protection teams or Indigenous Delegated Agencies.

CYC students admitted in Year 1 will complete CFCS 1260, CYCC 2211 and CYCC 2460 as part of their first two years of study. All CYC students take CYCC 3350 in Year 3 of the program, it is a required course. DACS 5111 is offered every other fall term as an elective.

Students admitted into CYC at year 3 will need to take these Child Protection Specialization courses as electives if they wish to obtain the Child Protection Specialization. Please note that these electives will not count toward your degree level electives, as those are required to be UT and out of the FACS department.

If you enter the program in Year 3, please meet with the CYC program coordinator to discuss course planning at the beginning of your program to ensure you complete all requirements for the Child Protection Specialization in advance of the term you wish to complete your 4th year practicum placement.

Students must complete the required courses prior to placement in fourth-year practicum, which is usually completed as a block placement in the final term in the program. Placements with MCFD are determined through a screening process with the Field Placement Coordinator within MCFD. MCFD determines whether a student is a suitable candidate for a Child Protection Specialization Placement. If students are not successful in that process, the CYC faculty will find an alternative placement. However, please note that students who do not do a CP placement will not be eligible for a CP specialization.

Upon application to graduate, students are responsible for selecting the CP specialization option, such that Grad Office confirms with the CYC department.

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Youth Justice Degree Specialization

Required courses	Credits
CRIM 1100- Introduction to the Criminal Justice System	3
CRIM 2252- Sociological Explanations of Criminal Behavior	3
CRIM 2253- Youth, Crime and The Law	3
CRIM 2260- Criminal Law	3
Plus one of the following three courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ CRIM 3376- Restorative Justice▪ CRIM 3335- Human Rights and Civil Liberties▪ CRIM 4410- Criminal Law and the Mentally Disorder Offender	3

The Youth Justice Specialization is designed as a specialization ideally for graduates of the Douglas College Youth Justice Diploma program. Graduates of that program will have already completed CRIM 1100 and CRIM 2253 and CRIM 2260 as part of their diploma program. They can continue their focus in youth justice, completing CRIM 2252 and one of the optional courses.

Students who have not completed the Youth Justice Diploma Program will have to complete some preliminary coursework as SOCI 1125, CRIM 1150 and CRIM 1160 are prerequisites for the required courses in the specialization.

Students will also complete a specialized youth justice placement for CYCC 4410 and CYCC 4411 during their final year of study.

Upon application to graduate, students are responsible for selecting the YJ specialization option, such that Grad Office confirms with the CYC department.