

Course	CDNS 1001B Introduction to the Study of Canada
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COURSE DESCRIPTION / INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This course examines various approaches to the study of Canada. Students will learn about the rise and evolution of interdisciplinary Canadian Studies as an academic discipline and encounter key concepts for studying Canadian issues. Students will see how interdisciplinary teaching and research differ from traditional academic disciplines, producing a stronger and richer explanation of Canadian phenomena. Students will also work on strengthening research skills.

In the end, students will develop tools for explaining Canada through critical questioning and analysis. ***Our goal is to explain Canada, not to criticize or celebrate Canada or Canadians.***

This course prepares students to pursue the study of Canada in Canadian Studies, Indigenous Studies, and related disciplines.

EVALUATION

Guided reflection assignment; scaffolded research assignments including an in-term quiz; active participation in tutorial group.