

First-year course planning 2026-27



Bachelor of Arts (BA) Truro Start

Use the **blank schedule** and the recommended first-year courses to create your schedule.

Students are encouraged to reach out to their Truro Start first-year academic advisor, Ashley Coffin, ashley.coffin@dal.ca, to discuss their course choices prior to registering.

For a full list of programs, please visit Programs - Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences - Dalhousie University. First year classes in the Music and Theatre programs are not offered on the Truro campus.

FASS requirement	Courses to fulfill that requirement
Intro to Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (3 credit hours)	AGRI 1200: Introduction to Humanities and Social Sciences (f) *This course is required in the first year*
Writing course (6 credit hours)	EGLA 1000: Composition (f/w) EGLA 1002: Nature in Literature (w) EGLA 1004: English Studies in Science and Technology (f/w)
Language Course requirement (6 credit hours in a single language)	SPAN 1021: Beginning Spanish I (online- f) SPAN 1022: Beginning Spanish II (online- w) <i>*Please note you can wait to take your language requirement in your second year on the Halifax campus</i>
Subject groupings	<i>Note that these are graduation requirements, so not all need to be fulfilled in year one.</i>
Languages and Humanities 6 credit hours	The writing courses fulfill this requirement. AGRI 2002: Mi'kmaw Natural Resources (f)
Social Sciences 6 credit hours	ECOA 1000: Principles of Microeconomics (f) ECOA 1001: Principles of Macroeconomics (w) GEOA 1000: Introduction to Human Geography (w) PSYC 1000: Introductory Psychology I (f) (in-person) or PSYO 1031: Intro to Psychology and Neuroscience I (online) (f) PSYC 1001: Introductory Psychology II (w) (in-person) or PSYO 1032: Intro to Psychology and Neuroscience II (online) (w) SOC1 1000: Introduction to Sociology I (f) SOC1 2000: Sociology of Food and Agriculture (w) POLS 2000: Global Politics of Agriculture and Conservation (w)

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<p>Life Sciences and Natural Sciences 6 credit hours</p>	<p>AGRI 1000: Introduction to Agriculture (f) BIOA 1002: Biology I (f) BIOA 1003: Biology II (w) CHMA 1000: General Chemistry I (f) CHMA 1001: General Chemistry II (w) CSCA 1000: Computer Methods (w) ECOA 1000: Principles of Microeconomics (f) ECOA 1001: Principles of Macroeconomics (w) ENVA 2000: Environmental Studies I (f) ENVA 2001: Environmental Studies II (w) MTHA 1000: Introduction to Calculus I (f/w) MTHA 1001: Introduction to Calculus II (w) STAA 2000: Introduction to Statistics (w) PSYC 1000: Introductory Psychology I (in-person) (f) or PSYO 1031: Intro to Psychology and Neuroscience I (online) PSYC 1001: Introductory Psychology II (in-person) (w) or PSYO 1032: Intro to Psychology and Neuroscience II (online)</p>
<p>Online Course Options</p>	<p>MUSC 2024: Guitar: History & Techniques I (f) MUSC 2025: Guitar: History & Techniques II (w) SUST 1000: What is Sustainability (6 credit hours) (f) SUST 1001: A Sustainably Future (6 credit hours) (w) SUST 1400: Exploring Sustainability (w)</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>Students can take up to 18 credit hours outside the Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences, Science, Computer Science and Management. In other words, students can also take some Agriculture courses if they choose.</p>

(f) = course is offered in the fall semester

(w) = course is offered in the winter semester

Students can choose to take the Introduction to Psychology course in person or online each semester: PSYC1000 and PSYC1001 in person or PSYO1031 and PSYO1032 online.

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Bachelor of Art Course Tips:

- BA students must take an approved writing course(s).
- BA students must complete 6 credit hours for each subject grouping:
 - Languages and Humanities
 - Social Science
 - Life and Physical Science
- Courses may fulfill both a Subject Grouping Requirement and Writing Requirement. However, courses cannot fulfill both the Language Requirement and the Subject Grouping.
- BA students must obtain 6 credit hours in a single language. It is recommended that the language requirement be completed in a single academic year and can be completed after the first year.
- BA students who choose to major in economics; philosophy; law, justice and society; political science; psychology; or sociology and social anthropology can choose to substitute the 6 credit hours Language Requirement with 6 credit hours in mathematics or statistics.

Tip: First year BA students may take a maximum of 30 credit hours over the Fall and Winter - this is usually 5 courses each term. Students may register in fewer courses, depending on anticipated academic workload and other commitments (please check any scholarship or student loan conditions).