University at Buffalo

The University at Buffalo is a flagship research and graduate center in the 64-campus SUNY system. A member of the prestigious American Association of Universities (AAU), it enrolls roughly 29,000 students annually, of which about 9,500 are in graduate or professional programs. Our proximity to Canada has facilitated one of the most active faculty and student bodies in the US in terms of the study of Canada. The Canadian Studies program is part of a dynamic, multidisciplinary Department of Transnational Studies. In January 2014, UB becomes the institutional home for 3 years of the Association of Canada Studies in the US (ACSUS).

Brock University

Brock University was founded in 1964 and currently enrolls 18,500 students on its Niagara Escarpment campus in St. Catharines, ON. Long a world leader in the field of Canadian Studies, the interdisciplinary Program is a unit within Brock’s Faculty of Humanities.

**TWO COUNTRIES, TWO UNIVERSITIES, ONE DEGREE!**

Participants in the Joint MA “Interdisciplinary Methods” Seminar that meets alternate weeks at UB and Brock. October 2013

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Two Remarkable Countries and One Unique Binational Relationship

Canada and the United States share the most intimate and extensive bilateral relationship of any two countries in the world. In excess of $1 billion in trade and 300,000 people cross the 5,000 mile border every day. Our countries share responsibility for many of the most pressing issues of our time, including the security of the continent, stewardship of our shared boundary water resources, and ecosystems, and for our mutual economic prosperity. No two countries have more in common, and that makes our differences all the more interesting.

Buffalo is adjacent to the socio-economic and demographic core of Canada, allowing residents of the binational region access to world-class arts, cultural, and sporting venues on both sides of the border.

"Knowledge of Canada or the United States is the best way to gain insight into the other North American country."
Seymour Martin Lipset, Continental Divide, 1990, p. iii

Joint MA in Canadian-American Studies

Students in the Joint MA in Canadian-American Studies can take advantage of our cross-border presence to develop a deep understanding of Canada, the US, and the bilateral relationship. Students register and pay fees at one of the two campuses, but the degree requirements are divided equally across both campuses. Throughout, the emphasis is on a rigorous and sustained comparison of the two countries.

The Joint MA program is flexible enough to accommodate students from diverse backgrounds in the humanities and social sciences and students have access to a deep bench of faculty talent at the two universities. There are no specific prerequisites. MA Program requirements include a seminar on Canada (at Brock), the US (at UB), and an interdisciplinary research methods seminar (at Brock and UB). Electives are drawn from courses at either campus, internships, and a final research project that is directed by faculty members on both campuses.

Students in the program can focus on such topics as:

- General comparative studies of US/Canada
- The border and borderlands studies featuring the binational Niagara region
- Managing the Canada-US Relationship

Core Canadian Studies Faculty at UB

Munroe Eagles – Professor of Political Science, Director of Canadian Studies; Main fields: Canadian politics; regionalism; Canadian-American relations

Jean-Jacques Thomas - Melodia Jones Chair of French, Associate Director of Canadian Studies for Quebec Affairs and Programs; Main fields: Quebec culture and literature
http://quebecstudies.cas.buffalo.edu/

Cecil Foster - Professor of Transnational Studies; Associate Director of Canadian Studies; Main fields: multiculturalism; Canadian society; transnationalism

Adjunct Faculty

Daniel Kolundzic, Nanos America
Nik Nanos, CEO, Nanos Research, Ottawa, ON

UB is strategically located on the Canada-US border, about 36 miles from Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario, and 90 minutes from Toronto.