

Report on Program Closures 2022-23¹

Faculty	Program	Unit (if Applicable)	Degree Designation	Type of Modification	Brief Description of Modification	Date of Ceased Admissions (MM/DD/YYYY)	Effective Date (MM/DD/YYYY)
Faculty of Arts and Science	Major in Finnish Studies	Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures	Honours Bachelor of Arts	Program closure	In response to the 2018-19 University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process (UTQAP) review of Finnish Studies programs, the Finnish Studies Major is closing. The external review identified areas of concern including long-term sustainability of the Finnish Studies programs due to the low number of faculty supporting the programs and low enrolments. The Major's academic content was incorporated into the existing Slavic Languages and Cultures Major (via separate proposal). One in-progress student will be supported to complete the program. Enrolment will be administratively suspended as of September 1, 2023, allowing students to select the Major in Spring 2023. As of March 1, 2024, students have the option to continue the Finnish Studies Major or switch to the restructured Major. Consultation with faculty and students took place during the UTQAP review process; drafts of the modified undergraduate programs, reflecting integration of the Finnish curriculum, were circulated among the Department's faculty in Summer 2022 and unanimously approved.	9/21/2023	8/31/2027

¹ See the 2022-23 Major Modification Report for closures of collaborative specializations.

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Faculty of Information	Graduate Diploma of Advanced Study in Information Studies	Not applicable	GDipISt	Program closure	<p>The Faculty of Information is closing the Graduate Diploma of Advanced Study in Information Studies and focusing its resources on enhancing and supporting degree programs. The GDipISt is a standalone, type 3, direct-entry, post-master's diploma aimed at information professionals. There has been a steady decline in the number of applications, offers and registrations over many years. During the 2020-21 UTQAP review, the Faculty noted the diploma has been stagnating and explored whether to revamp or discontinue it. It was decided the diploma no longer meets the needs it was designed for; the broader availability of continuing education and certificate programs in the sector means the needs the diploma once served are now met elsewhere. Admissions to the diploma were administratively suspended in September 2022. Three active students registered in the diploma will be supported to complete it by the full closure date. There has been consultation regarding the closure within the Faculty.</p>	9/22/2022	8/31/2025