

Academic and Career Services

#### CAREER PATHFINDERS

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE WITH A MAJOR IN

# MENNONITE STUDIES

### Overview

Mennonite Studies focuses on closely examining the history, religion and culture of the Mennonites. It is an interdisciplinary program that allows students to take courses in many areas including geography, history, religion and conflict resolution studies. This program is not directed at any career in particular, though Mennonite Studies majors develop the skills attendant to the variety of courses they study.

"Without question, the University of Winnipeg's Mennonite Studies courses were the most valuable part of my undergraduate education. Academically, I grew more in these classes than in any of my others. They combined exceptional rigour with caring, diligent guidance from professors. Professionally, they set the foundation for 7 years of teaching Mennonite studies at the high school level, easily the most enjoyable and rewarding part of my work. Personally, they provided me with the rare opportunity to step outside of my faith community and to wrestle with what I saw there with intellectual integrity. Mennonite studies sharpened me as a student, provided me with deeply meaningful vocational direction, and helped me to find my voice within my faith tradition."

Peter Epp, History Teacher at Mennonite Collegiate Institute, Gretna

# Job Titles

- Pastor (NOC 4154)
- Lawyer (NOC 4112)
- Social Policy Analyst (NOC 4164)
- Teacher/Professor (NOC 4011, 4021, 4031)
- Conflict Resolution Mediator (NOC 4155)
- Journalist (NOC 5123)
- Social Worker (NOC 4152)
- Researcher (NOC 4164, 4166)
- Public Relations Officer (NOC 1123)
- Writer (NOC 5121)
- Historian (NOC 4169)
- Archivist (NOC 5113)
- Counsellor (NOC 4153) 1

1 The numbers following each job title refer to <u>Canada's National Occupational Classification (NOC) code</u>. Jobs may require additional education or training.

## Work Settings

## **Skills and Characteristics**

- Advertising Agencies
- Consulting Firms
- Correctional Facilities
- Cultural Organizations
- Educational Institutions
- Government Agencies/Departments
- Health Care Centres
- International Organizations
- Legal Profession
- Media/Publishing/Telecommunications
  Industries
- Museums/Galleries
- Non-Government Organizations
- Private Practice
- Public Interest Groups
- Religious Organizations
- Research Institutes
- Social Service Organizations
- Trade/Professional Associations

- Research
- Oral and written communication skills
- Community action awareness
- Analytical skills
- Organizational skills

- Professional Associations and Other Links
  - Global Anabaptist Mennonite Encyclopaedia Online <u>http://gameo.org/index.php?title=Welcome\_to\_GAMEO</u>
  - Mennonite Historical Society of Canada <u>http://www.mhsc.ca/</u>
  - Manitoba Mennonite Historical Society <u>http://www.mmhs.org/</u>
  - The Plett Foundation <u>http://www.plettfoundation.org/</u>
  - Mennolink <u>http://www.mennolink.com/</u>

This document is intended to provide a starting point for your career research. For more information about UWinnipeg's Mennonite Studies program, visit the <u>Department of Mennonite Studies website</u> and the <u>Mennonite Studies Fact Sheet</u>.

Students are encouraged to <u>schedule an appointment with an Academic and Career Advisor</u> for assistance with career planning.