

Introduction to Canadian Studies

The course is designed to acquaint students with information on the cultural, social and political development of Canada as well as the current issues and problems of Canadian cultural life. Canada, the first dominion in the British Empire's history, is distinguished by its bilingual birefringence (English – French) colonial past, strong immigration, long-term cultural and political dependence on so-called maternal countries (Great Britain and France) and strong economic bonds with the USA. In recent decades Canada has striven to resolve the situation of its native people following the concept of multiculturalism, which, it is claimed, originates in this country.