

PSYCHOLOGY: ATKINSON FACULTY OF LIBERAL AND APPLIED STUDIES

DEFINITION OF "NORMAL TEACHING LOAD"

The teaching load for PSYCHOLOGY is defined as 2.5 full courses, or five half (.5) courses. This load may be achieved by teaching undergraduate or graduate level courses, and applies to all faculty members every year. Faculty members may achieve their teaching obligations in any term (fall/winter/spring/summer).

Undergraduate courses in the fall/winter terms are taught in the evening (e.g., 7-10 pm). Graduate courses, or undergraduate courses in the spring and summer terms, are taught either during the daytime or in the evening.

We do not receive teaching credit for any form of supervision (graduate supervision, undergraduate honours thesis supervision, directed reading courses), or to facilitate specific research projects.

The Chair of the department in our faculty receives 1.5 full course releases per year, and the Undergraduate Program Coordinator receives 1.0 course releases per year. Faculty members who have other administrative positions (e.g., Associate Dean, Graduate Program director) receive varying amounts of teaching release depending on their negotiations with the Dean of the relevant faculty. Teaching release is also granted during sabbatical leave, as outlined in the YUFA collective agreement.

Sincerely,

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