ABOUT QUEEN’S

Queen’s University is one of Canada’s oldest degree-granting institutions and has influenced Canadian higher education since 1841. It is a mid-sized university with several faculties, colleges and professional schools, as well as the Bader International Study Centre located in Herstmonceux, East Sussex, United Kingdom.

More than 25,000 researchers, scholars, artists, professors, and students from around the world learn, discover, think and act here every day. They are people with an ambitious spirit who want to make a difference in the world – people who imagine together what the future could be and work together to realize it.

BY THE NUMBERS

Number of graduate degree programs: 120
Number of graduate students: 4,300
Number of international students: 20% of total graduate enrolment
Graduate students from 72 countries
Total value of graduate student funding: $34 million and opportunities for Teaching Assistantships $10 million
Average funding for PhD students: $29,800

ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Queen’s University repeatedly ranks in the top five of research-intensive medical/doctoral universities in Canada and Kingston has been identified on the world stage as a leading “Intelligent Community”.

Queen’s has a proud history of advancing discovery and inspiring change. With more than 120 graduate programs in 50+ departments and research centres and a range of collaborative, interdisciplinary programs, opportunity abounds.

LOCATION

Kingston, Ontario, Canada

Queen's is located in the city of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, half-way between Montreal and Toronto, two of Canada's largest cities. Kingston is situated on the shores of Lake Ontario and near the entrance to the St. Lawrence Seaway, Thousand Islands and Rideau Canal. Kingston was declared the first capital of a United Canada on June 15, 1841.

Kingston is rated one of the top five university towns in the world by BBC.*

*bbc.com/travel/feature/20131119-living-in-great-university-towns

Visit queensu.ca/discover/kingston to learn more about living in Kingston.

For a list of all academic programs of study and program requirements at Queen’s, please visit queensu.ca/sgs
APPLY TO QUEEN’S

You can apply to a Queen’s graduate program at any time, however since most acceptances and fellowships are adjudicated in March, you should apply early in the year to be considered for funding. See the International Students section of our website for full details.

queensu.ca/sgs

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

For Doctoral Programs: a master’s degree
For Master’s Programs: Minimum second-class standing in an honours bachelor degree in arts or science, a bachelor degree in applied science or law, a degree of doctor of medicine or the equivalent from a recognized university.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

• Two official transcripts of all complete university-level academic records (in English)
• Two current academic recommendations
• English-language test results (if required)

Some departments require additional documentation. You will receive instructions about these as you complete your online application.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

At Queen’s University, English is the language of instruction and communication. Because of this, proficiency in English is a requirement for admission. Applicants whose first language is not English and who have not completed at least one year at a post-secondary institution where English is the primary language are required to submit a standardized English language test score.

ACCEPTED TESTS – MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE SCORES

TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) Internet-Based Test (IBT): Writing 24/30, Speaking 22/30, Reading 22/30, Listening 20/30 for an overall minimum score of 88 (out of 120).

IELTS (International English Language Testing System): minimum score of 7 (academic module)

Pearson Test of English (PTE) – minimum score of 65

QUEEN’S SCHOOL OF ENGLISH

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PREPARATION

The School of English offers the English for Academic Purposes (EAP) program to international students who require additional English language training prior to applying for degree programs. EAP is a 12-week intensive English language program that consists of 22.5 hours of classroom instruction per week and it is offered every September, January, and May.

International students with scholarships that provide funding for English language studies may be offered conditional admission to certain graduate programs at Queen’s with English language proficiency scores of: IELTS 6.0, TOEFL IBT 71, or equivalent. Students who achieve a minimum grade of A- in ESLA 150 (University Preparation level of EAP) will then be admitted to graduate studies.

International students who have not taken an English Language Proficiency examination may enter the EAP program and if they obtain a final grade of A- or higher in ESLA 150 (University Preparation) they may not need to complete the IELTS or TOEFL exam to be considered for graduate studies at Queen’s.

For more details, visit: queensu.ca/qspe

FINANCING YOUR QUEEN’S EDUCATION

queensu.ca/registrar

We understand the importance of having secure funding in place. Between internal and departmental awards, teaching and research assistantships, external scholarships and fellowships and needs-based packages, our students receive nearly $56 million in total funding each year.

The average funding package for a PhD student varies by program of study beginning at $21,000 per year (2012-2013 data). The average across the university is $29,000.

There are a variety of funding opportunities for international students. Please contact the Graduate Coordinator of the Department in which you are interested in for details.

Please also check with your home government for general funding. See the International Students section of our website for details.

WORK-STUDY PROGRAM

Designed for full-time students who need financial assistance, the Queen’s Work-Study program can help you find a part-time job on campus.

THE QUEEN’S EXPERIENCE

We believe that what happens in the classroom, the library and the lab is just the beginning of your educational journey. As you immerse yourself in your Queen’s experience, you will develop leadership skills and valuable contacts that will serve you well in the classroom and beyond. Workshops on academic and professional skills, a graduate career week, writing and communication assistance provide valuable supports for our graduate students.

LIVING AT QUEEN’S

Queen’s has two buildings that are apartment-style for graduate students to rent – An Clachan and John Orr Tower. There are 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments to suit an individual or a family.

If you prefer to live off campus, our Housing Department can help you connect with affordable rental properties throughout Kingston.

For more details, visit: community.housing.queensu.ca

A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY

No matter where you come from, our easy-to-access support services will help you feel at home in the Queen’s community. Whether you’re planning your arrival, or settling in for a long stay, the Queen’s University International Centre (QUIC) will help you find the information you need to make the right decisions. QUIC is a support service for all members of the Queen’s community promoting an internationally informed and cross-culturally sensitive learning environment.

quic.queensu.ca

Being part of an international community can be exciting, but sometimes you crave the comforts of home. The Queen’s campus is home to clubs and associations for students from dozens of countries, cultures and backgrounds.