University of Guelph
School of Environmental Design and Rural Development
MSc (Planning) Canadian Field

The Canadian field of the MSc. (Planning) program prepares you for research and professional practice in rural planning and development in Canada. You will complete a set of core and elective courses to enhance your applied theory and professional skills:

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The field of rural planning and development (Canadian) is formally accredited by the Canadian Institute of Planners

### Areas of Specialization

- Community and Social Development
- International Agricultural Development Planning
- Land Use Planning
- Environmental Management
- Resource Management
- Program Evaluation
- Impact Assessment
- Aboriginal Planning
- Public Health Planning

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What do our Canadian stream students research?

Some recent examples

• Immigration to Rural Ontario
• Equine Trail Development in Wellington County
• Lessons from the Back to the Land Movement
• Exploring Cultural Heritage Tourism in Rural Communities
• The Secret to Happiness: Assessing Wellbeing and Marginalized Groups in Rural Ontario
• Social Enterprises: Practicing Food Sovereignty in Rural Areas of Ontario, Canada
• Key Success Strategies In The Implementation Of Accessory Dwelling Units In Alberta
• Exploring the Implications of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act 2012 on Public Participation
• Peak Oil and Climate Change: Community Resiliency Planning in Rural Southwestern Ontario
• Understanding the Ontario Peri-Urban Problem: Including Stakeholder Opinions In a Review of the Greenbelt Act
• The Business of Going Green: Agri-Environmental Certifications in Ontario. A Multiple Account Benefit-Cost Analysis
• The Water Transfer System in Southern Alberta: Scope and Implications for a Future Provincial Water Market
• Ontario Source Water Protection Planning An Analysis of Theory, Policy and Practice
• Agricultural Land Preservation as Mechanism for Self-Sufficiency: The Future Outlook for Food Planning in Canada

Where do our Canadian stream graduates work?

Ontario municipal planners
Ontario municipalities: Brantford, Bruce County, Caledon, Hasting County, Huron County, Niagara Region, North Dumfries, Orillia, Penetanguishene, Port Colborne, Wainfleet, Waterloo Region, Wellington County, West Lincoln Township

Planners in other provinces:
Nunavut; Prince Edward Island; Alberta: Lacombe, Leduc County, Wood Buffalo, Lac La Biche, District of Opportunity

Non-governmental organizations:
Food Centres Canada, Canadian Renewable Fuels Association, Richmond Food Security Society, Synthesis Agri-Food Network, Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth, Green Communities Canada, South Nation Conservation Authority, Grand River Conservation Authority, Justice Canada, Rural Ontario Institute, New Brunswick Association of Planners

Federal and Provincial Governments:
Farm Credit Canada; Canada Mortgage and Housing; Ontario Min. of the Environment; Ontario Min. of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development; Nova Scotia Min. of Energy; Ontario Min. of Northern Development & Mines; Kativik Regional Government, Quebec.

Private Sector Firms:
Shared Value Solutions; Dillon Consulting; AECOM; LEES Associates; MMM Group; Into the Woods; Teck Resources Limited; Shell Oil; Rivera Inc.; RJ Burnside & Associates

Some graduates continue into PhD programs:
Rural Studies, U of Guelph; Geography, U of Toronto; Environmental Economics and Management, U of York (UK); Interdisciplinary Studies, Memorial U, Newfoundland and Labrador; University College, London.