2016-2017 Graduate Calendar

The information published in this Graduate Calendar outlines the rules, regulations, curricula, programs and fees for the 2016-2017 academic years, including the Summer Semester 2016, Fall Semester 2016 and the Winter Semester 2017.

For your convenience the Graduate Calendar is available in PDF format.

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The University of Guelph reaffirms section 1 of the Ontario Human Rights Code, 1981, which prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, handicap, age, marital status or family status.

The university encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, visible minorities, persons with disabilities, and members of other under-represented groups.

Introduction

Collection, Use and Disclosure of Personal Information

Personal information is collected under the authority of the University of Guelph Act (1964), and in accordance with Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Statutes/English/90f31_e.htm. This information is used by University officials in order to carry out their authorized academic and administrative responsibilities and also to establish a relationship for alumni and development purposes. Certain personal information is disclosed to external agencies, including the Ontario Universities Application Centre, the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, and Statistics Canada, for statistical and planning purposes, and is disclosed to other individuals or organizations in accordance with the Office of Registrarial Services Departmental Policy on the Release of Student Information. For details on the use and disclosure of this information call the Office of Registrarial Services at the University at (519) 824-4120 or see https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/

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Address for University Communication

Depending on the nature and timing of the communication, the University may use one of these addresses to communicate with students. Students are, therefore, responsible for checking all of the following on a regular basis:

Email Address

The University issued email address is considered an official means of communication with the student and will be used for correspondence from the University. Students are responsible for monitoring their University-issued email account regularly.

Home Address

Students are responsible for maintaining a current mailing address with the University. Address changes can be made, in writing, through the Office of Graduate Studies.

Name Changes

The University of Guelph is committed to the integrity of its student records, therefore, each student is required to provide either on application for admission or on personal data forms required for registration, his/her complete, legal name. Any requests to change a name, by means of alteration, deletion, substitution or addition, must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation.

Student Confidentiality and Release of Student Information Policy Excerpt

The University undertakes to protect the privacy of each student and the confidentiality of his or her record. To this end the University shall refuse to disclose personal information to any person other than the individual to whom the information relates where disclosure would constitute an unjustified invasion of the personal privacy of that person or of any other individual. All members of the University community must respect the confidential nature of the student information which they acquire in the course of their work.

Complete policy at http://www.uoguelph.ca/policies.

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Biotechnology

The interdepartmental program focuses on molecular approaches and provides both scientific and business discipline-specific training. The Master of Biotechnology program provides graduates with advanced education, knowledge, technical and business expertise in the broad field of biotechnology. Courses promote effective communication of knowledge of the scientific discipline, as well as place it in a business context. It fosters academic and intellectual growth, as well as interactions between graduate students, faculty, the university, and the wider research community and the private sector. Students will be trained as highly competent, independent, and creative researchers/managers who are familiar with and able to integrate both the science and business environments. Furthermore, the program encourages the development of entrepreneurial activities in this area, which is crucial for the formation of new private sector companies. The ultimate goal of the program is to advance and encourage biotechnology research on campus, both amongst the graduate students enrolled in the program, as well as amongst and between faculty.

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MBIOT Program

Admission Requirements

Students entering the program will normally have completed an Honours Bachelor's degree with a minimum admission average of B (75% and higher) in one of the following fields: biology, molecular biology and genetics, biotechnology, microbiology, biochemistry, biophysics, food science, agriculture, food production systems, commerce with a strong science background. Anyone lacking the required background will be encouraged to complete them prior to commencing their studies in the new program (typically in the immediately preceding summer semester) or, if approved by the program counsellor, during their studies. Students also require a minimum TOEFL score of 250/300 (computer based), 600/677 (paper based) or 89 (internet based) and are strongly encouraged to take the Graduate Record Examination (general) as well. Subject specific GRE tests will also be considered for admission.

All components of the application, including transcript(s), graduate certificate(s), grading scale(s), language test results, assessment forms, and a statement of interest, must be uploaded no later than two months after an application is submitted through the OUAC portal. Applications that are incomplete after this time period will be closed.

Admissions Process

Graduate student applications to programs in the College of Biological Science are handled by the Office of the Associate Dean, Research (ADR). Before submitting an application, applicants are strongly encouraged to view the "Before you Apply" and "Admission Process" webpages on the ADR Future Student's site.

Space in this program will be limited and students are advised to apply as early as possible to be accepted for the following Fall. Application details are posted on the program web-site.

Degree Requirements

A total of 4.0 course credits are required to graduate, which must include BIOT*6500, BIOT*6600 and BIOT*6700 (each 0.50). In addition, the research project course BIOT*6800 (1.00) must be taken in Semester 3. Additional courses can be selected from electives.

An optional Semester 4 may be added, as a research project extension.

Duration of the Program

Students will normally take three courses per semester for two semesters (3.0 credits) and complete the Biotechnology Masters project (1.0) credit in semester 3. Therefore, the program normally takes 12 months of full-time study. There is, however, the option to continue the Biotechnology Masters project into a second fall semester, in which case the program will take 16 months of full-time study.

Courses

Core Courses

BIOT*6500 Molecular Biotechnology F [0.50]

This course will provide an overview of molecular approaches relevant to a broad range of biotechnology industries including those found in medical, microbial, protein, pharmaceutical, environmental and agricultural fields.

Department(s): Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

BIOT*6600 Innovation Management F [0.50]

This course will focus on the integration of science and business from initial discovery through to commercialization. This integration involves resolving issues related to technical, market and financial feasibility. Topics will include the innovation process, assessment of markets, development of business models and managing projects under high uncertainty.

Department(s): Department of Management

BIOT*6700 Communication in Science and Business W [0.50]

The goal of this course is to develop written, and oral presentation skills to effectively communicate ideas and experiments in both scientific and business contexts. Students will be asked to write and orally communicate a research proposal.

Department(s): Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

BIOT*6800 Research Project S [1.00]

The students will be matched with a research advisor in their first semester and write a research proposal on their project in the second semester communication course. During the time they do their research project, they will be expected to do the research work that they propose and then to prepare a written report of their results and conclusions as well as to give a poster presentation on this. The research project can be undertaken with any appropriate faculty member, or with an approved off-campus institution.

Restriction(s): Students registered in Master of Biotechnology program
Department(s): Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Electives

College of Biological Sciences

MCB*6310	[0.50]	Advanced Topics in Molecular and Cellular Biology
MCB*6370	[0.50]	Protein Structural Biology and Bioinformatics
HHNS*6440	[0.50]	Nutrition, Gene Expression and Cell Signalling

Bioinformatics

BINF*6110	[0.50]	Genomic Methods for Bioinformatics
BINF*6210	[0.50]	Software Tools for Biological Data Analysis and Organization

College of Business and Economics

UNIV*6050	[1.00]	The Integration of Science and Business in Agrifood Systems
MGMT*6100	[0.50]	Evidence Based Management Research
MGMT*6200	[0.50]	Leadership Assessment and Development
MGMT*6300	[0.50]	Business Consulting
MGMT*6400	[0.50]	Project Management

Ontario Agricultural College

ANSC*6450	[0.50]	Topics in Animal Biotechnology
ENVS*6040	[0.50]	Molecular Basis of Plant-Microbe Interactions
PLNT*6500	[0.50]	Applied Bioinformatics