

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.

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The University of Guelph reserves the right to change without notice any information contained in this calendar, including any rule or regulation pertaining to the standards for admission to, the requirements for the continuation of study in, and the requirements for the granting of degrees or diplomas in any or all of its programs.

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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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Public Health

The Master of Public Health (MPH) program is a 5-semester professional degree with concentration in epidemiology, environmental public health, infectious diseases, and zoonotic, foodborne and waterborne diseases. This program is of interest to individuals holding an undergraduate degree in science or applied science seeking for a career in public health or to public health professionals wishing to upgrade their skills. A Graduate Diploma is also offered for those individuals with public health-related experience that wish to increase their knowledge or acquire focused learning.

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MPH Program

The objective of the MPH program is to prepare students for careers in public health. The curriculum is based on the core competencies for public health in Canada. Required courses will provide students with skills in all aspects of public health practice. Additional elective courses will provide students with the opportunity to develop added strength in specific areas, namely epidemiology, environmental public health, infectious disease, and zoonotic, foodborne, and water-borne diseases. Courses will incorporate case-based material to provide students with the opportunity to use a variety of problem-solving and communication skills. Further information can be found at the MPH program website. <http://www.ovc.uoguelph.ca/mph/>

Admission Requirements

Eligible applicants include those with an honours BSc in Biomedical Sciences, Biological Sciences or Public Health, or those with a DVM, BScN or MD professional degrees (or equivalents). Students with an honours degree without a biological or health focus will be required to complete the distance education BSc course PATH*3610 Principles of Disease prior to enrolling in the degree program. Candidates should have earned a B+ average in their honours BSc degree or at least a B- average in a professional degree (e.g., BScN, DVM, or MD). All applicants should submit a one-page statement of interest and career goals in public health. Students will be admitted into the Fall semester. Additional information can be found at the [MPH website](#)

Degree Requirements

The MPH program at the Ontario Veterinary College will typically consist of five consecutive semesters of full-time study. Full-time students will take three semester-length courses for four semesters (total 12 courses) and a 12 to 16-week practicum in a public health practice setting. Students will begin their program in September. Students can complete the program in four semesters if they choose to add one additional elective to their course load during each of the Fall and Winter first-year and Fall second-year semesters (four courses / semester).

Students will complete at least six (0.50 credit) courses before they begin the practicum (between May and August inclusive), which will provide the opportunity to add function to the knowledge base achieved during the didactic portion of the program. A paper and public presentation developed from data gathered during the practicum will illustrate the cumulative experience. This is a residency program as core courses and most electives are not offered through distance education. Students may enroll part-time while they continue to work in their public health or regulatory careers. Part-time students will normally take one or two courses per semester. Please note that since this is a non-thesis based degree, applicants are not required to obtain a supervisor prior to applying. One will be assigned once you have been accepted into the program.

Graduate Diploma

This stand-alone diploma consists of four courses, including Research Projects in Public Health, at least two other required courses and one elective course. Students may request a transfer from the Graduate Diploma into the MPH and if accepted, will receive credit for the courses taken (except for the Research Projects in Public Health course). Students interested in this option must apply to the MPH prior to initiating graduation procedures from the Graduate Diploma.

Admission Requirements

Eligible applicants include those with an honours BSc in Biomedical Sciences, Biological Sciences, or Public Health, or those with a DVM, BScN or MD professional degrees (or equivalents). Students with an honours degree without a biological or health focus will be required to complete the distance education BSc course PATH*3610 Principles of Disease prior to enrolling in the degree program. Candidates should have earned a B+ average in an honours degree or at least a B- average in a professional degree (e.g., BScN, DVM, or MD).

Diploma Requirements

The Graduate Diploma program at the Ontario Veterinary College consists of four courses, including Research Projects in Public Health, at least two required courses, and one elective course.

Collaborative Specializations

International Development Studies

The Department of Population Medicine participates in the MPH collaborative specialization in International Development Studies (IDS). Students in this option register in an MPH program in the department and IDS. Those faculty members whose research and teaching expertise includes aspects of international development studies may serve as advisors for MPH students. Please consult the International Development Studies listing for a detailed description of the MPH collaborative specialization and the special additional requirements for each of the participating departments.

Courses

Required Courses

PABI*6500	[0.50]	Infectious Diseases and Public Health
POPM*6200	[0.50]	Epidemiology I
POPM*6510	[0.50]	Community Health Promotion
POPM*6520	[0.50]	Introduction to Epidemiological and Statistical Methods
POPM*6530	[0.50]	Health Communication
POPM*6540	[0.50]	Concepts in Environmental Public Health
POPM*6550	[0.50]	Public Health Policy and Systems
POPM*6560	[1.00]	Public Health Practicum
POPM*6570	[0.50]	Communication II
POPM*6580	[0.50]	Public Health Leadership & Administration

Electives

Three electives (or 1.5 credits) are required. Choose at least two electives from the following list. The remaining course may also be selected from this list or from those listed elsewhere in the Graduate Calendar. Students taking Public Health Practicum II (1.0 credit) are required to take only one additional 0.5 credit elective course. The MPH program coordinator must approve all electives in advance.

EDRD*6100	[0.50]	Disaster Planning and Management
EDRD*6690	[0.50]	Program Evaluation
PABI*6550	[0.50]	Epidemiology of Zoonoses
POPM*6210	[0.50]	Epidemiology II
POPM*6350	[0.50]	Safety of Foods of Animal Origins
POPM*6950	[0.50]	Studies in Population Medicine
POPM*6590	[1.00]	Public Health Practicum II
POPM*6600	[0.50]	Applied Public Health Research