2018-2019 Graduate Calendar

The information published in this Graduate Calendar outlines the rules, regulations, curricula, programs and fees for the 2018-2019 academic year, including the Summer Semester 2018, Fall Semester 2018 and the Winter Semester 2019.

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

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**Address for University Communication**

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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.

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Computational Sciences

The School of Computer Science (SoCS) offers an Interdisciplinary PhD degree in Computational Sciences that encompasses multiple Departments/Schools across the University of Guelph. The program provides a unique opportunity for students to study computing within the context of another discipline commensurate with their interests and career goals. Students entering this PhD program perform research that bridges Computer Science with at least one other discipline such as Economics and Finance, Engineering, English and Theatre Studies, Geography, History, Integrative Biology, Mathematics and Statistics, Pathobiology, Population Medicine and Psychology.

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PhD Program

The objective of the PhD program is to produce interdisciplinary scholars who are capable of tackling emerging problems in a variety of disciplines through investigation and application of current computer technologies. Students require two co-advisors: one from the School of Computer Science; and the second from another discipline (see Graduate Faculty).
Admission Requirements

In addition to the Office of Graduate Studies admission requirements, applicants must submit: (i) a current CV including research publications; and (ii) a statement of research (maximum of 1500 words). The minimum academic requirement for admission to the PhD program is normally a recognized Master's degree that included a thesis or major independent project. We do not require students entering the program to have a credential in Computer Science. Such students are required to identify their experience using computerized techniques and demonstrate that they have the necessary background to complete the tasks outlined in a research proposal.

In exceptional circumstances, a student who has completed an honours undergraduate Computer Science degree (or an equivalent 4-year undergraduate degree) may apply for direct admission to the PhD program. The successful applicant must have an outstanding academic record, breadth of knowledge in Computer Science, demonstrated research accomplishments, and strong letters of recommendation.

Prospective students should check the School of Computer Science (SoCs) website http://www.socs.uoguelph.ca/ for further details, procedures and deadlines.

Degree Requirements

The PhD program requires completion of CIS*6890: Technical and Communication Research Methodology, coupled with any additional courses and/or Computational Learning Modules assigned by the Advisory Committee on entry to the program. To achieve candidacy, students are expected to present a research proposal in a two-part seminar and successfully complete the Qualifying Examination (QE). Finally, students must present and defend a thesis.

Courses

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