

## Rural Studies: PhD

The Rural Studies PhD Program offers advanced studies on the socio-cultural and biophysical sustainability of rural communities and regions. Faculty engage in research and applied work in Canada and internationally and represent a range of disciplines including: planning, landscape architecture, political science, public administration, geography, adult education, and communications.

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### Program

Successful students are awarded a PhD. The degree is normally completed in 12 semesters. Students must complete 2.75 graduate course credits, they must write and publicly defend a qualifying examination paper and then write and publicly defend a dissertation.

### Research Fields

- Sustainable Rural Communities
- Sustainable Landscapes Systems

### Admission Requirements

Applicants must have a master's degree (or the equivalent) from a recognized university in the humanities, social-science, or applied-science disciplines. Admission to the doctoral program requires a satisfactory baccalaureate and at least high second-class honours ('B' standing) in a recognized master's program. Applicants are strongly encouraged to communicate with a potential faculty advisor before applying. The PhD in Rural Studies Graduate Program admits graduate students once a year, in the fall semester. All applicants are expected to submit a completed background questionnaire.

### Application Deadline:

March 1, 2018



### Recent Dissertations

- Linking Precaution to Adaptive Co-Management to Adapt Rural Water Resources to Climate Change in Ghana
- Career and Community Possible Selves: How do Small-town Youth Envision their Futures
- Innovation Systems in Agriculture: Managing Stakeholder Interaction for Learning and Innovation in the 21st Century
- Exploring The Sustainability of Place: A Case Study of Community-Based Nature Tourism
- A Unique Rurality: Exploring the Role of the Horse Farm in the Post-Productivist Rural Landscape
- Social Enterprises as Agents of Technological Change: Case Studies from Tanzania
- Re-Imagining Food Systems in Mexico: A Case Study of the Mexican Network of Local Organic Markets
- Lament for the Land: On the Impacts of Climate Change on Mental and Emotional Health and Well-Being in Rigolet, Nunatsiavut, Canada

### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- Community Development?
- Sustainable Landscapes?
- Social Enterprises?
- Food Systems?
- Rural Policy?

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Academic positions
- Public sector industry
- Non-governmental organizations in Canada and internationally

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