Application FAQs

What do I need to know to APPLY?

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
- Honours BSc or equivalent in life sciences, biochemistry, biology, etc. with first class standing, or MSc, or equivalent research experience.
- We consider all of your grades, but pay particular attention to the last two years of science-related courses.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS
- If English is not a native language, prospective students must meet the English language proficiency requirements in writing, speaking, reading, and listening. The School of Graduate Studies requires the following minimum scores: TOEFL (paper-based): 550, (internet-based): 80; IELTS: 7.0 (academic module overall band score); or (3) PTE Academics: 65.

KEY DATES & DEADLINES
- Application due: February 1st to be considered for internal funding.
- Notification of acceptance: Quickly pending confirmation of a supervisor.

Before you start your application, please review the Graduate studies application process.

What about FUNDING?

Minimum funding guarantee for PhD students: $22,700. For internal, provincial and national competitive award winners, the funding package increases by 2.5%, 5% and 10% respectively.

Apply for external funding from CIHR, NSERC, OGS, the Heart & Stroke Foundation, CBCF, the Department of Defence, the American Cancer Society and other sources. Please check the School of Graduate Studies’ information on awards and scholarships.

Why GRADUATE STUDIES in PATHOLOGY & MOLECULAR MEDICINE?

Graduate students and their work are an important part of an ongoing research process that provides the community with ways of understanding natural, cultural, imaginative, social and technological phenomena. The faculty, staff and trainees in Biomedical and Molecular Sciences are engaged in world class research and teaching, attracting and mentoring the best students, the finest educators, dedicated support staff, and internationally competitive researchers. We value curiosity, creativity, commitment, and collegiality.

The department is a distinguished academic centre engaging a wide range of research endeavours including anatomical sciences, bacteriology, biochemistry, cancer biology, cardiovascular sciences, cell biology, developmental biology, immunology, molecular biology, neuroscience, pharmacology, physiology, reproductive biology, toxicology and virology. The breadth and depth of our research has a strong foundation in multi-disciplinary discovery. The faculty and trainees collaborate with numerous research institutions locally, nationally and internationally.

Why QUEEN’S?

Queen’s is a great setting to learn first-hand how the fast pace of molecular genetic research is changing clinical practice, leading to exciting new diagnostic and treatment approaches for cancer and other diseases.

With a focus on cancer – 12 of our 20 investigators are cancer biologists – our department members deliver comprehensive diagnostic laboratory and clinical services to Southwestern Ontario through the Kingston General Hospital, offering great training for the next generation of biomedical research scientists and laboratory physicians.
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